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THE CHOLERA.

Prevailing to an Alarming Extent in Arkansas—At Indianapolis.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., July 28.—Cholera is prevailing on the plantations below here to a considerable extent. Eleven deaths occurred since Friday on one plantation. It has not reached this city. Cloudy and rainy.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., July 28.—Two additional deaths from cholera are reported by the Board of Health to-day, but seven deaths in all have thus far occurred, five of which were the children of one family.

COLUMBUS, O., July 28.—There are no new cases of cholera in the penitentiary.

MANITOBA KIDNAPPING.

Marked Disapproval of the Decision of the Court Refusing Bail for the Prisoners.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 28.—A special from Fort Garry says the public feeling was so shocked by the refusal to bail the prisoners in the Scanlon case that two of the most prominent citizens of Manitoba became bail for Merriam to-day. His Hon. Jas. K. Kane, Chief Justice of Manitoba, and Donald Smith, Esq., President of the Legislative Council, from whose residence, at Silver Lodge, Gordon was taken by Hay and Keegan, and Andrew McDermott, Esq., Manitoba Director of the Canada Pacific Railroad, and the most and wealthiest merchant of the country. Chief was considered when these names were proposed. The circumstances show that the days of the Attorney General are numbered. Merriam was at large only a few minutes when he was arrested at the suit of McKenzie, late partner of Clark, who was the only English barrister that Gordon had not retained, and was therefore reluctantly engaged by counsel to act. He charged that Merriam was supposed as an amigo, even as executive foe, but he now has the effrontery to bring suit for $50 a day, or an additional sum of $50. This demand was resisted, hence the suit and act of Merriam. Bail was promptly given. When Fletcher and Merriam were arrested $25,000 in money and securities were taken from them, which Governor Wilson under power of attorney, has endeavored to recover. He obtained an order of the Court to deliver the money, but Clark organized and refuses to disgorge. Wilson and Merriam expect to leave to-morrow, but there may be a conflict over the matter, as the worse have squeezed. In West Tennessee the Cholera will paint only half a crop, but the cotton prospect is fair.

CRIMES.

Mob Law at Rogersville, Ohio.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—At Rogersville, Ohio, on Saturday night, during the trial of a man calling himself Jeff. Davis, for raping a nine year old girl, the lights in the room were put out, the prisoner dragged out of doors and shot full of holes with revolvers, and then dragged by the heels two squares and hung to a tree by the neck.

Ku-Klux Raid in Kentucky.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—A band of Ku-Klux raided on the farm of Mrs. Mason Brown, mother of Gratz Brown, in Owen county, Ky., on Friday night, when they killed Louis Wilson, colored, burned his house down and damaged other farm property. The farm contained large quantities of corn and tobacco, which it will be difficult to harvest in the absence of the labor force, owing to the Ku-Klux. Other farms were visited by them and the owners warned against employing negroes as workmen. It is said the Ku-Klux came from Henry county.

Slight Difficulty Ends in Accidental Murder.

ST. LOUIS, July 28.—While R. B. Anderson, brakeman on the 86, Louis, Kansas city and Northern Railway, was passing through the yard of the company early this morning, he met Thomas Hacker, private watchman of the yard, and began to accuse him. He ler remonstrated with him, whereupon he caused his lantern to strike Hacker, when the latter struck him a blow with his fist under the left ear, from the effects of which he died about 8 o'clock. Hacker gave himself up.

The Memphis Assassination—Coroner's Verdict.

MEMPHIS, July 28.—The assassination of Frank M. Moore yesterday morning has been the all-absorbing topic on the streets to-day. The Coroner was called and had a post-mortem examination of the body made and the ball which caused his death was extracted. It proved to be a large conical ball, fired from a cartridge pistol or gun. After the examination a number of witnesses, including Mrs. Moore, wife of the deceased were examined. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death from a pistol shot fired by Joseph Hanson, nephew of Mrs. Moore, who was sleeping in the house, and that he was instigated thereto by Mrs. Moore. It has been ascertained that since their marriage has been unhappy for eighteen months, and that their marriage had been an unhappy one. She instigated the murder, and during the preceding the murder at Moore's mother's in Union street, and returned home before eleven o'clock and retired. Hanson, Mrs. Moore's son, keeps a saloon on the corner of Union and Dessin, and six squares distant from the house. He was up at her solicit at half past eleven that night and talked to her of his unfortunate situation.

Wayland Thrust Cut and Robbed.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., July 28.—J. J. Early, of Lancaster, Pa., was found this morning about two miles from this place with his throat cut almost from ear to ear. He stated that he had been waylaid and robbed by three colored men. Slight hopes are entertained of his recovery.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 28, 1873.

RIDE CONTINUED SUNDAY.

Frederick A. Lane, formerly counsel of the Erie Railway company, has been sued in the Supreme Court by Mrs. May C. Leroy Goodridge, administratrix of the late R. Goodridge, for an account. The case came up this morning before Judge Pratt, on a motion to appoint a receiver. The allegations are that Lane expended some $60,000 collected by him as such attorney in paying dividends to certain creditors of the State, of which amount he paid himself $20,000 as a counsel fee upon some judgments of $100,000 obtained by Lane himself against her, without her knowledge. Lane and George C. Bates appeared for the defendant. Pratt reserved.

President Grant is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

REPORTER FOUND DROWNED.

On Wednesday last James M. Cousson, reporter of the *Herald*, was assigned to visit the new steamer *Seawanhaka*, city of Chester. Since that time he has not been heard of until to-day. Intelligence has been received that all body has been found in East river. Deceased was formerly connected with the Chicago *Times*.

The Suit for the Kansas Railroad Money.

TOPEKA, KS., July 28.—Judge D. Page, who began an action in the District Court of this county to recover $7,000 paid into the Kansas Legislature by A. M. York was dismissed to-day, he paying all the costs. The suit was to recover the money out of the hands of the State Treasurer on grounds set forth by Pomeroy in his defense that the money was given by Pomeroy to York to be given to Page for aid in the establishment of a bank at Independence. It was set for the 11th of August, and was thought a continuance will be asked for. Page is also interested in the financial suit against Pomeroy which comes up at the same time. He has a power of selling quantities which belongs to, as it is positively understood that Pomeroy will not up to claim to it in his own account.

Another Threatened Revolution in Mexico.

MATAMORAS, MEXICO, via NEW ORLEANS, July 26.—The *Via Publica* of this city states that a revolution is imminent in the interior of the State. There are three aspirants for governor in that State and there being no choice by the people, the election will devolve on the Legislature, which will meet in Monterey in September. Each party is well prepared, struggling in the revolution of last year and referred to the present political contest, that an outbreak is regarded as inevitable. The entire State is prominent residents of Monterey are actively preparing for the fray. It is feared being complicated in the threatened tronble.

Southwestern Crop Reports.

MEMPHIS, July 28.—The crop reports from Arkansas are very encouraging, several rains during the past ten days having brought out both the corn and cotton, though in the region of Pemiscot rain is very much needed. The reports from Missouri are comforting in regard to the cotton crop, but the corn crop is very poor owing to the late rains and the drouth. While in the neighborhood of Okaloosa, Kosciusko and Brandon, both cotton and corn will make a good yield, and in the region of Yazoo the worms have appeared. In West Tennessee the crop will yield only half a crop, but the cotton prospect is fair.

Brigham Young and His Seventeenth Wife.

SALT LAKE, July 28.—The complaint and affidavits in the case of Ann Eliza Young, seventeenth wife of Brigham Young, were filed to-day in the Clerk's office of the Third District Court. The complainant sues for $100,000 damages and alimony, pending the suit, $1,000 per month. It is understood that the first case will be argued promptly before Judge Emerson. George B. Wallace is counsel for the plaintiff, and the 5th of August on the preliminary motion. Other suits of a like nature will be taken soon.

NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The annual Convention of German Teachers of the United States met at Hermes Hall, St. Louis, yesterday, but no business of importance was transacted. Over one hundred teachers from all parts, mainly from the large Eastern cities, are present. The only primary instruction of the German language in the public schools will be one of the questions for discussion.

Capt. Vogt, saved from surrender to the Prussian government by the decision of Attorney General Williams, emphatically denies that he is the murderer of Chevalier De Blanco and explains his possession of the bank notes and other securities, which the Chevalier's relatives claim, by saying that he received them from the woman known in New York as Mrs. Hall, who bought them in London from a German. The woman is now in New York, and is negotiating law offices. While the lawyers were fighting for him and his property, the bonds, and all of securities, which she handed over to them after Vogt's arrest, to pay the expenses of his defense.

The steamship City of Antwerp, from Liverpool, arrived at New York yesterday.

A few of the one hundred and fifty young Russian women who arrived from Audrich, by order of the Czar, while passing their medical studies in that city, have arrived at New York, nearly moneyless, and are in destitute circumstances. They are described as accomplished women.

The Peruvian government has commenced suits against several citizens of Boston in New York city, who are said to administer that article and sell it as genuine.

The steamships Minnesota, Siania, Alabama, and Pequonnock, from New York, and Pequonnock, from Boston, have arrived out.

Madame Augustine Frazer was yesterday at Clermont sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for perjury in abortion.

A picnic at Rocky river was yesterday given to the newsboys by the press of Cleveland, aided by subscriptions from a number of citizens. Two hundred and sixty boys participated. After the picnic a banquet at the Forest House was given to the members of the press by W. S. Rohrer & Co., of that city.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

The Atlantic and Southeastern Project.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

AMSTERDAM, OHIO, July 28, 1873.

The engineers employed to run preliminary lines between Amsterdam, Ohio, and a point on the Wheeling and Lake Erie, finished their field work on Saturday. The practicability of the route has been fully demonstrated. The line run is less than eleven miles.

Milwaukee and Fon DuLac Air Line Completed.

MILWAUKEE, July 28.—The Milwaukee and Fon Du Lac Air Line Road was completed on Saturday. This road forms the connecting link between the Chicago and Northwestern and Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, and most of the trains will be run over this route to Chicago, instead of via Janesville and Harvard.

Reduction in Freight Charges.

NEW YORK, July 28.—The managers of the trunk lines to the West have made the following reduction in freight charges on first class merchandise, which includes boots and shoes, clothing, etc: New York to Chicago, per hundred, seventy-five cents, formerly $1; Cleveland, Lorain and Toledo, sixty-five cents, formerly fifty-five cents; Cincinnati, seventy cents, formerly ninety cents; St. Louis, ninety-seven cents, formerly $1 20; Louisville, eighty-six cents, formerly $1 15; Memphis $1 25, formerly $1 65.

The Boston rates are the rates from Lake Erie ports westward: To Cleveland, Toledo and Detroit, forty-five cents; to Chicago, Milwaukee and Green Bay fifty-one cents.

Chicago and Paducah Railroad Completed.

CHICAGO, July 28.—A dispatch from Gibson, Kane county, Ills., announces that the last rail connecting the Streator and Windsor division of the Chicago and Paducah Railroad was laid on Saturday morning, fourteen miles south of this place, making 128 miles of road completed south of Streator. It is expected that through trains from Chicago will be put on to-day, in connection with the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, and Chicago, Alton and St. Louis Railroads. This route passes through the thriving towns of Streator, Fairbury, Gibson, Mansfield, Monticello, Bement, Sullivan and Windsor, the present southern terminus.

Railroad Difficulties Adjusted.

ST. JOSE, July 28.—It is reported on reliable authority that the embarrassment under which the St. Joseph and Denver Railroad has so long labored is now completely removed, and this spirited enterprise will be pushed to completion. The road passes through the thriving towns of Syracuse

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SENATOR SHERMAN, of Ohio, has thought better of it, and having drawn his back-pay has paid it into the Treasury. That is the safe way, and puts the money where it cannot be got at, again, for the same purpose.

A SPECIAL dispatch to the New York *World* from Provo, Utah, announces the arrest of a woman *believed* to be the notorious KATE BENDER, the Kansas murderess. About twenty women have been arrested in as many different places, on the same suspicion, but have turned out bogus, as will this one.

THE Cincinnati *Commercial*, which sustains the 30th of July movement, says that it infinitely prefers GRANT for a third term to a chance for the reinstatement of the Democracy. There is evidently a happy, heavenly feeling of harmony between the two factions, or fractions, of the opposition in the Buckeye State.

THE Springfield *Republican* speaks of the "Epidemic of political recklessness," which is raging in Ohio on account of the Allen county movement. Where does it prevail? There has not been a response to the Allen county proposition in all that broad State, except in Cincinnati, and that was a very, very feeble one. The movement was a failure from the beginning, and has obtained much more notoriety and importance outside of the State than in it.

THE hills are green afar off. Here we have a paper speaking of JOHN P. HALE, who is supposed to be at the point of death, as "a great statesman of the last generation." So he was. But the last generation did not think so. They used to compare him to ISAAC HILL and LEVI WOODBURY, forgotten statesmen of the preceding generation, and mourn over the decay in statesmanship. It has been so with all our public men. We do not think them great until they die; and so our blessings brighten only when they take their flight.

THE dispatches from Minnesota stating that an error had been discovered in the count of the third ballot of the Republican State Convention for Governor, and that WASHBURN was really nominated, instead of DAVIS, turn out to be mere speculations. WASHBURN has announced his satisfaction with the result, and no effort will be made to change it. He and his friends support DAVIS, cordially; and as the Democrats of that State propose also to nominate and support DAVIS, he is likely to go into office by unanimous consent.

COL. MERRILL, in answer to inquiries addressed to him by Lieut. MAHAN, relative to cutting off the point of the bar near the foot of Brunot's Island, and building a dam above Merriman's Ripple, so as to throw all the water to the right of Long Island, states that he will have the bar cut off before the close of the present season. As to the building of the dam, he states that he has at present no money for that purpose; but if the river men petition for it, he will put one in next year, if permitted. These are important facts, and river men are referred to the official announcement of Lieut. MAHAN, in another column.—

ONE of our exchanges indulges in regrets that no list of depositors in the Brooklyn Trust Company has yet been published and that probably none will be for the present. This is regretted because of the curiosity and keenness which now prevails to pry into other peoples's business. Why, really, should such a list be published? The public has no right to know who do and who do not deposit in any particular bank. There are some things which a man is entitled to have kept private, and his bank account is one of them. It is an idle and vicious curiosity that delves to penetrate into the secrets of banking institutions; and decent newspapers cannot afford to descend to the level of PAUL PRY and become mere tattlers of trifling personal details.

The improvement in the fortunes of the ocean carrying trade during the present season has been very marked, and from the scarcity of tonnage and good rates of freight so far during the present year, this improvement, which is great, may last. Yet 'tis said that every rose has its thorn, and while there is plenty of remunerative employment for ships, the hard fact remains that the best portion of our foreign trade is carried on under foreign flags. —*N. Y. Shipping List.*

Philadelphia has been doing her best to remedy this trouble by building a line of four steam vessels of 3,000 tons each; yet New York has always sneered at and ridiculed the enterprise, and instead of imitating the example, is content to wait in the expectation that the line will eventually be transferred to her. Now, if New York possessed but a little of the spirit of her rival, she would not need to complain of the lack of American tonnage.

IF THE Quixotic gentlemen of this city who talk about starting a new Democratic paper in Pittsburgh, will stop long enough to consider the political question, "What is the use?" we will call to their attention the outspoken utterances of a Democratic paper in Alabama called the Limestone *News*, which is apparently very sick of its party. In a recent article it felt compelled to say:

"That it it can do any better, it fights no more under the Democratic flag.

"There is not a scrap of the old Democratic banner left big enough to darn a hole in a pair of breeches.

"One had as well sing hymns to a dead mule as undertake to reconcile the animosities engendered by last year's folly."

And if this is true of last year's folly, what good is there in trying to perpetuate an animosity engendered by *this* year's folly?

MAJOR A. R. CALHOUN, of the Columbus (Ga.) *Enquirer*, and Col. FRENCH STRANGE, of the Opelika (Ala.) *Observer*, have been arrested and put under $2,000 bonds, in Columbus, on suspicion of an intention to fight a duel. The trouble grew out of the murder of Mr. PHILLIPS, some time since, by JOHN HOOPER, in Opelika. This "Major" CALHOUN is a bogus soldier, who never was in the army, but who yet managed somehow to impose himself on the Grand Army of the Republic, in this State, for a short season, and finally succeeded in getting himself appointed to the Pension office, in Philadelphia. He turned out to be a defaulter, there, and naturally found his way South, afterward, where he dropped into congenial employment as a Democratic editor. He is believed, by those who know him best, to be a fraud, a Rebel spy, all along, and it is certain that he never was a "Major" or even a private in the Union ranks. He is a poor devil, at best; and Col. FRENCH STRANGE, if he only looks at it right, will find that there is no honor to be gained by fighting a duel with such a creature.

AMERICAN SLAVERY STILL.

Less numerous than in some other cities less populous, small Italian musicians are met with in Pittsburgh also. In fact, the evil may be truly said to be universal, and there are even country neighborhoods and villages in the United States, where little boys of Italian birth are occasionally if not constantly seen painfully endeavoring to earn money with the aid of a tambourine or a violin or a flute or other musical instrument. It is, however, in the large cities that the evil is most flagrant, and the agitation of the subject has not begun at all too soon. "These Italian boys are really the abject slaves of wretches, whom they call their *padroni* or masters, and whom they dread as few Southern negroes ever dreaded their owners or overseers. The boys fall into the power of the *padroni* in one or other of two ways. A boy is sometimes kidnapped from his parents in Italy who for years or forever remain uncertain of his fate. But more frequently the boy is bought for a sum of money from parents whose poverty reconciles them to the traffic. They are generally made to believe that, in thus parting with their child, they are doing the best possible thing for him as well as for themselves. The rascal who buys the boy engages to instruct him in music and thus qualify him to earn his own livelihood, while he, of course, promises to feed and clothe him. Upon these terms duly recorded in a contract or indenture by a notary, the child becomes the absolute possession of the *padrone* for a certain number of years, who takes him to some foreign country.

Great numbers of these virtual slaves are brought every year to the United States, where their deplorable condition has only lately become a subject of general interest. They are lodged in dump, unhealthy cellars, or in equally miserable tenement house garrets, are usually clothed in rags, and are compelled to live on the scantiest fare. They are besides treated with relentless cruelty in other respects, each boy being required to earn or steal for his padrone a certain sum of money every day under penalty of no supper or of exclusion for the night from his wretched dwelling. Unmerciful flogging is another punishment often inflicted for lack of industry or for failure to secure the daily quota of gain. Utterly ignorant of the helpless in a foreign country the boys are easily deterred from running away by the terrible threats of their masters.

There need be no difficulty in dealing with the iniquitous business. Even supposing the boys legally bound by the written contract in to which their parents have entered with the padrone, it is impossible to accept as valid an engagement the manifest duties of which are wholly disregarded by one of the parties to it. The master who takes an apprentice is bound to fulfill the terms of the indenture, and by his failure to do so, the indenture is vitiated. Certainly no American magistrate can admit the validity of a contract made in Italy which permits a padrone to bring up a boy in absolute ignorance, and to starve and abuse him besides.

ENGLAND AND RUSSIA.

However unwarranted or absurd the speculation, people will found predictions of permanently peaceful relations betwixt England and Russia on the prospective alliance by marriage of their royal houses. As to the latter fact there is no longer any room for doubt; the Duke of Edinburgh, whom loyal Englishmen delight to call their "Sailor Prince," and the only daughter of the Czar, have been betrothed and will, in due time, be married. Besides the exalted birth and position of the parties, two or three incidental circumstances render the matrimonial engagement interesting to the "average mind." In the first place, it is believed to be what they call a love-match, which originated with the persons directly concerned, without instigation or suggestion on the part of either Russian or English statesmen. Even the Queen of England and the Czar and Czarina are said to be quite innocent of even the most remote initiative in connection with the alliance. The statement is not in itself incredible, as to the Queen the difference of religion may, in view of the well-known relations of the two countries to *each* other, have seemed an obstacle which rendered such a marriage unlikely and perhaps undesirable. Then, since it became a subject of serious consideration the Czar, who regards his only daughter with an affection bordering on idolatry, has made no secret of the anxiety for her future with which he contemplates the manifest growth of liberalism in England. It is, therefore, little likely that, when looking about in search of a suitable husband for his child he would have selected a prince of that stormy island, not only the traditional enemy of his country, but for centuries the dwelling place of constitutional government and all liberal tendencies. In the records of his house he would find no precedent to suggest or justify such a choice; the engagement lately formed being the first instance of a marriage alliance between the royal families of Russia and England. Still another circumstance serves to impart interest to the affair. When some months ago, all British newspapers and indeed nearly all British men were thrown into a state of quite violent excitement mingled with alarm, by the report of Muscovite encroachments in Central Asia, Count SCHOUVALOFF, the chief of the Russian Gendarmerie, who hastened to London by command of his imperial master, for the purpose of explaining the object of the Khivan expedition, was well known to be charged with another mission. One object of the Count's journey referred to the alliance now spoken of as a settled fact, and thus his visit to London was a complete success. Two royal houses, often hostile, and never particularly friendly to each other, were brought into the most intimate relations, and at the same time, English susceptibility, deeply wounded by the recent nullification of the Treaty of Paris, and still more recently and painfully touched by the threatened invasion of Khiva, was completely soothed.

It would be foolish to attach too much importance to the effect of the proposed marriage in allaying English susceptibility concerning Khiva. In fact, Russia assured England of the perfectly innocent and unambitious character of its movement against Khiva, and of the absence of any purpose to meddle with the British Empire in the East, and quite likely the other object of Count SCHOUVALOFF's mission served to confirm the sincerity of his declarations.

One thing is certain, that for some reason or other the Count's elucidation of Russian policy in Asia must have been more satisfactory and more reassuring than Russian explanations generally are. So much is evident from the perfect quiet, if not indifference with which the British press has treated the terms upon which the Czar has made peace with the Khan of Khiva. Three or four months ago those terms would have excited our British friends to a frenzy of indignation and rage at Muscovite perfidy and impudence. Look at the facts. Before the Khivan expedition set out, Russia disavowed all intention of permanently occupying Khiva or of annexing the Khanate, and made the Khan for his bad conduct. Well, Russia has not exactly by annexation taken possession of the Khanate, but she has reduced the Khan to a condition of as absolute vassalage as she before imposed upon the Emir of Bokhara. He is required to pay a war indemnity of ten millions of rubels in ten years—which the Czar knows he could not pay in a century, if he lived so long, and until the money shall be paid Russian troops will garrison the city of Kungrad and will also build and occupy a strong fort on the Oxus.

THE Baltimore fire cannot be blamed to the Mansard roof, like the Boston fire, nor to ambitious wooden architecture. "It occurred" says the *American*, "in a section of the city which, on account of its peculiar location has been given up to small retail stores, to dwelling houses of modest pretensions, and to manufacturing establishments. The fine dwellings are to the west and north, and the large warehouses and stores to the south and east. The burned district covers a sort of border ground, which has been vacated, in a great measure, by the more wealthy residents, but which has not yet been fully occupied by the retail dealers, who always fill up the intermediate space between what might be termed the "homes" of the city and its great business houses." The fire originated in a wood-turning and planing shop, and the *American* adds:

"It was simply an immense tinder-box, packed with sufficient combustible material to set the whole neighborhood in a blaze if a spark was applied. Unhappily, yesterday morning a man employed at the engine allowed a live coal to come into contact with a pile of shavings, and four thousand people and crumbling ruins tell the rest of the story. With a few exceptions, the buildings destroyed were only three stories high, and many of them were old-fashioned dwelling houses, having two stories and an attic. There was every opportunity for pouring water into them and over them, but still they melted away before the hot breath of the flames. We think that the firemen saved a great many houses (probably the whole central section of the city) by putting out the little fires kindled by the flying sparks on the borders of the burned district, but we could not see that their laborious efforts had any appreciable effect upon the burning houses. They hemmed in the fire and kept it within bounds, but certainly they did not put it out."

THE railroad companies of Illinois are beginning to comprehend that their recently adopted freight rates are working rather to their own injury than to that of the farmers. These rates were so ingeniously framed that while they avoided the charge of discrimination, they at the same time increased the price of transportation. The law was thus literally complied with, but in a such a way as to deepen the already growing hostility of the farmers, and the consequence has been a material falling off in the revenues of the railroads. The railroads have employment for ships, the hard fact remains that the best portion of our foreign trade is carried on under foreign flags. —*N. Y. Shipping List.*

THE "American Literary Bureau," of Boston and New York, in a special circular recently issued, announces that Miss Mary F. Eastman, of Massachusetts, has, at the earnest solicitation of Mrs. Mary A. Livermore and others of her friends, at last consented to take her place in the great army of lecturers now before the country. Mrs. Livermore says of her: "She possesses rare gifts for this department of work. Thoroughly educated in the best institutions of New England, herself a successful teacher of young women, a clear and cogent thinker, an easy and pleasing speaker, she has already established a reputation as a public speaker, which will be increased as she becomes more widely known. As Miss Eastman's ability to please, instruct, interest and inspire is second to that of no other lady lecturer in the field, she ought to be, and we doubt not will be, in great demand among lyceums."

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* THE New York *Bulletin*, analyzing the dry goods importations for the month of July, shows a gain over the previous months of $3,456,705, but as compared with last year there is a decrease of $1,303,985. The reduction occurs mainly on the imports entered for warehousing, while on the entries for consumption there is an increase. The entries for consumption this month are over $1,125,000 greater than for the same month last year, while the total thrown upon the market shows an increase of $2,430,301. The gain this month over June, and also over last year, was mostly in the items of wool and cotton goods. In silks there is a decrease as compared with last year of about one-half the amount of goods. It is stated that there is enough of the latter class of goods in bond at the present time to show the wants of the trade for a year to come.

YOUNG girls from ten and fifteen are particularly favored by this part of the city, says a Long Branch letter. Rising at 10 in the morning, a breakfast at 10½ or 11, dawdling through the day taking and playing Croquet until 5, then dressing for dinner at 6, then a drive, and after that the evening hop, is a programme for the day. The young girls are not satisfied with the attention of gentlemen or boys of their own age, but must have real grown-up beaux upon whom to exercise their fascinations. Little chits of ten or twelve walk around the halls on the arms of men old enough to be their fathers, and talk "grown-up talk" by the hour. And what is true of Long Branch applies with equal force to all the fashionable resorts.

Captain Jack's name used to be Keint Doos, and so appears on the Huntingdon treaty, which he signed with old Schonchin.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

It is considered a big thing in Saratoga to have cold fried potatoes for lunch, or "munch," as it is elegantly called there. Moreover, they sip champagne with them, and expect to get home alive.

"Owing to the death of the editor, there won't be any *Leader* Tuesday," says a Wisconsin weekly, "but look out for an old ripper on Wednesday."

In Philadelphia the Jews have eight synagogues, and in New York twenty-six. The census of 1870 numbers one hundred and fifty-two synagogues in this country.

The dignity of the law was vindicated in a suit at Castleton, the other day, involving 25 cents. Two lawyers, one justice of the peace, six jurymen, six witnesses, and a cloud of spectators were required, and the suit ended in the plaintiff paying twenty dollars.

It is proposed to establish in Brooklyn a No Trust Company—nobody to be trusted except the trustees. Brooklyn is great on all sorts of corporations, though of course, churches stand at the head, as being the only corporations that are supposed to have souls.

The Boston *Transcript* asks: "If ever Chelsea, Winthrop, Revere, Charlestown, Cambridge, Somerville, Malden, Everett, Medford, Arlington, Belmont, Brookline, and West Roxbury become home of our home, will our chief magistrate be styled 'Mayor of Massachusetts,' or only 'Governor of Boston?'"

The Minneapolis *Tribune* becomes serious: "Oakes Ames' will reveals $5,745,954. And yet he died of disappointment and chagrin. Happier is honesty in a hickory shirt and an oil-skin cap than dissimulation in a plug hat and a shirt that buttons behind."

The English government is going to enroll a company of men in India to fight the tigers, while here, we have men enrolled to keep people from fighting the tiger.

The grasshoppers have devoured everything green, both hay and grain, in Big Valley and Hot Spring Valley, Cal., which cannot fail to make them plenty and fat for Pit River Indian muk-a-muk.

A Swede walked into a Leavenworth book store the other day and remarked: "Got any overhauls for letters?" He was handed a bunch of envelopes.

The society for the propagation of the faith of Rome, the most extensive missionary society in existence, has issued a summary of its receipts in subscriptions during the year 1872. Its income during the fifty-first year of its work shows an increase of nearly 592,000 francs upon the income of the previous year, and amounts to 5,602,645 francs, or $1,000,000.

A liquor dealer at Niagara Falls last week thought to make a bit in the advertising line by hiring a peripatetic Hibernian to carry about the street a transparency setting forth the goodness and abundance of his liquors. A temperance party, however, chartered a boy to follow with a transparency reading, "Cursed is he that putteth the cup to his brother's lips." It was the general conclusion that the boy behind was ahead of the boy in front.

A ridiculous instance of the way in which the use of a thing is lost sight of in the ornament with which it is overlaid, is exhibited at Westminster Abbey, where a number of persons were married again within six to two weeks: hence a good deal of neighborhood gossip, particularly among some of those women who "still live." One of these, Mrs. B——, at a quilting the other day, said, "I do hope I may be spared till summer, for then I may have tombstones over my grave before my man gets tied up again!"

Another great library is to be sold soon. The famous collection of Sobolinski, the wealthy Russian, who died in 1870, will be offered at auction, at Leipsic. Four thousand four hundred and forty eight volumes are mentioned in the catalogue. The works are all valuable, and many of them are very rare and curious. The offer will excite great interest in all who are making collections.

Very conscientious and law abiding are the people of Rockville, Ind. Two couples of young men went to bed on the railroad track, the other night, and, in the ordinary course of railway travel, were run over and killed. But the people had an idea that the bodies must be undisturbed till the Coroner came, so the mutilated remains of the young men were subjected to the repeated hammerings and crushings by passing trains, till a sleepy Coroner could be summoned from his house some miles distant.

A sense of uselessness is one of the severest trials of old age. It is a common complaint of old people that they feel themselves to be a burden and in the way, and they are no longer capable of active service in the cause of God. It is not for them to argue about the providence which still keeps them in the world. For themselves it may be that patience may have her perfect work, and that a rare and illustrious finish may be put upon their character. For others also that their large experience may be the heritage of the youth, and that the good of the past may be brought down and wielded on to the present.

A correspondent of the *Scientific American* says: "The best remedy for bleeding at the nose, as given by Dr. Gleason in one of his lectures, is a vigorous inaction of the laws, as if in the act of mastication. In the case of a child, a wad of paper should be placed in its mouth and the child instructed to chew it hard. Of course an adult does not need the paper. It is the motion of the jaws that stops the flow of blood. This remedy is so very simple that many feel will inclined to laugh at it, but it has never been known to fail in a single instance, even in very severe cases."

Those who put up and trade in pickles are looking gloomy enough. The drouth has injured the cucumber crop very seriously and the prospect is that pickles will be scarce and high. These same drouths have also much cut short the yield in the matter of canned goods, for short crops of corn, tomatoes and peaches are feared, and already speculation has begun to operate advancing. There can be no profit for canning them for next winter's use unless very liberal advances can be got over last year's prices. Such an increase would of course lessen the demand, and greatly curtail business, so that the outlook is far from encouraging.

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A DISCOVERY has been made by a French firm of paper manufacturers, which seems likely to interest hop growers. At the last General Assembly of French paper makers, MM. Jourdeuil, Parizot and Gaussen submitted samples of a new species of textile fabric to the Congress. The high price of rags has for some time past given rise to serious efforts to utilize the textile portions of various vegetable fibres. Straw, wood, grass, sea-weeds, esparto, alfa, phormium, and various other vegetable products, have been pressed into the service, but have not proved entirely satisfactory. Among other drawbacks the fibres obtained from them are short, and not sufficiently supple. Such faults do not exist in the new product, which has been hitherto regarded as useless, namely the textile sheath of the hop stock. By removing this outer skin, and subjecting it to certain chemical processes, the fibre is found possessing the qualities which make rags so valuable in paper making, length, suppleness and delicacy of texture, has been produced. The invention is patented, and further protected by the novel character of the chemical process.

Midsummer Mainia.

At this season the heat of the sun liberates from the soil, the water and the filth of cities immense qualities of unwholesome gases which the strongest can scarcely inhale with impunity, and which develop the most distressing and dangerous maladies in the weak and feeble. It is, therefore, of paramount importance to invigorate the body in hot weather. Vitalize and strengthen the stomach and the nervous system with at least two doses per day of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and you will be sure to escape the fits of indigestion, attacks of bilious colic, sick headaches, diarrhœas and dysentaries which are so common at this season. Be prudent. "A little care and caution will prevent your being prostrated by remittent or intermittent fever, or by chronic bowel or liver complaint throughout the fall. When vigor is oozing out of every pore under the rays of an August vertical sun, the genial vegetable tonic supplies to the nervous system an ailment which enables it to withstand the drain.

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FROM EASTON, PA.

The Third and Last Day's Proceedings of the American Philological Association at La Fayette College.

Special Correspondence of the Pittsburgh Commercial.
EASTON, PA., July 25, 1873.

The last session of the Philologists in convention in this city was held yesterday afternoon.

The papers read were as follows: "On the Pronunciation of Latin," by Prof. Seager, of Columbia College; "The Pronunciation of Latin, as presented in several recent Grammars," Prof. Heideman, University of Pennsylvania; "The Phenomena of the Acquisition of a Double Mother Tongue," Prof. Brewer, University of North Carolina; "Recent Discussions of Grimm's Law," Dr. March, La Fayette College; "A note to Dr. Easton's Paper on Aphasia," Hon. J. H. Trumbull; "The Wyandotte Tribe of Indians, their Language and Traditions," communicated by Mr. Horatio Hale, Ethnologist and Phonologist of the Wilkes Exploring Expedition, and read by Prof. Anderson, of Rochester. These Wyandottes are a remnant of Union City, the Hurons. They have a tradition of one Hiawata, whose exploits were not unlike the exploits of Longfellow's hero, Hiawatha. They have also a song composed three hundred years ago, some of the words of which are meaningless to them. It differs as much from the songs of their own generation as Chaucer with modern English. It is sung only when a chief is inaugurated. Prof. Goodwin showed that "Calametes," in Demosthenes De Corona, does not mean "physician," but "hero of the law." Prof. Comfort had the last paper, "The Tendency to Limit the Signification of Words." The word "stawe" originally meant death from any cause, observed he.

Prof. Louis Bangher, Pennsylvania College, had been at Athens since the meeting of the society in 1872. Upon request he gave an account of the walls that have been excavated. One of them is three hundred and fifty feet in extent, and shows signs of patchwork. A public bath, with apparatus for heating water, has also been brought to light. We may expect valuable discoveries in the near future.

A proposition to establish a monthly for the promotion of a philological science was referred to the Executive Committee; so also a letter relative to the celebration of the "Jubilee" of Prof. George Curtis, the German Greek grammarian.

A resolution of thanks to the citizens of Easton and the authorities of the College for their great hospitality, was unanimously adopted.

The officers chosen for the next meeting are: Dr. F. A. March, President; Hon. J. H. Trumbull and Prof. W. F. Allen, University of Wisconsin, Vice Presidents; Prof. Samuel Hart, Trinity College, Secretary and Curator, and Prof. Albert Harkness, Treasurer.

At Hartford, Conn., July 14th, 1874, the Association will meet again.

Last evening a reception was given by the Eastonians to the gentlemen and ladies of the Association, and to-day an excursion to "The Switchback of America."

W. C. A.

PERSONAL.

Just as soon as Train and Sergeant Bates got quiet, Gordon Gordon felt compelled to break out. Edward Payson Weston will probably soon go into a state of eruption.

Gen. Hawley and Gen. Devens, grand commanders of the Grand Army of the Republic, are to address the Vermont soldiers at their reunion in Rutland in August.

The Pope has publicly rebuked certain of the Catholic clergy who attended the funeral of Ratazzi, the Italian statesman. "In that act," said he, speaking of the subject, "the priests showed themselves greater courtiers than ministers of God."

A Green Bay man called a young lady his "precious darling little honeydew of a blooming rosebud," and then stood a breach of promise suit before he would marry her.

St. Paul has a curious Police Justice. He recently fined a woman three dollars for disturbing the peace by wailing over her husband's broken leg.

A genuine autograph of John Bunyan has been discovered in the fly leaf of an old book called "Dwelling with God, the Interest and Duty of Believers," a copy of a once known and popular work of Puritan theology, published in 1670.

One may live as a conqueror, or a king, or a magistrate, but he must die a man. The bed of death brings every human being to his pure elementary state, to the intense contemplation of that deepest and most solemn of all relations, the relation between the creature and his Creator.—*Webster.*

Rev. Norman McLeod resigns the charge of the Congregational church in Salt Lake City. He founded the first Christian church in Utah, under circumstances which called the highest degree of prudence, self-sacrifice and fortitude.

The library of the late Mr. W. C. Macready was sold at auction in London last week. The collection included the works of numerous distinguished authors, all bearing their autographs, rare paintings, drawings, statuettes, &c. The sale realized the sum of two thousand pounds, and was attended by a large number of well known actors.

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FINANCE AND TRADE

MONDAY EVENING, July 28, 1873.

We have received an elaborate discussion of the National Bank act, its defects and their remedies, by Professor Newcomb. That portion which treats of the defects of the system is but a repetition of the criticisms familiar to every one who has paid any attention to the subject. Every one knows it is much easier to show that things are wrong than to find a remedy which will not produce evils as great as those we are trying to escape from, so it seems better to endure the ills we have than fly to others we know not of. Most of Prof. Newcomb's essay is taken up in criticising the "Cleaves' Circular," issued last winter when its author was bidding for the position of Secretary of the Treasury. Of the remedies offered he says:

"The only entirely effectual remedy will be for the Congress of the Treasury Department to make provision for redeeming the promise of the government expressed on the face of the greenbacks, either by paying them in good honest gold, or by funding them in 5 per cent. gold bonds, so far as the holders may desire such redemption. If the funding plan is adopted the bonds must bear 5 per cent. interest, and be certainly worth nearly or quite par in gold. Three per cent. bonds will hardly help the matter at all."

This is simply a resumption of specie payments, which in itself will remedy the evils of our banking system. But the great question, and one which we have been ten years trying to solve, is, how to resume without deranging values and thus bringing on a financial crisis. As the question of resumption cannot be solved, as a means of remedying the evils of our banking system, it must be abandoned.

The only practicable remedy seems to be to substitute for an absolute yearly reserve of 25 per cent., an *average* reserve of that amount leaving the banks to expand when the market demanded it on condition of contracting again when the demand ceased. And to insure the keeping of this average reserve, it is proposed to levy a tax on the excess of issue which shall be sufficient to make sure that no bank will make money by violating the rule; say of 5 or 6 per cent. on the average excess of its demand liabilities over four times the reserve. The provisions necessary to carry out such a plan, are given as follows:

1. All laws requiring National banks to hold a reserve of lawful money are repealed.

2. In addition to the taxes on circulation and deposits now levied by law, each bank shall pay annually a tax of five per cent. upon the excess of its average aggregate circulation and deposits over the average amount of lawful money actually held by it or deposited to its credit in the Treasury of the United States.

It will be seen that this plan is tantamount to the fourth of those we have been considering with the very important addition of the tax to prevent more than the present average expansion. We propose, instead of the present cable, which brings the ship up with a shock whenever she is driven to the end of it, to substitute one which she may pay out as far as she pleases on condition of hauling it in again when the storm is over, or paying its value in cash to the government which furnishes it.

—Messrs. Ira B. McVay & Co. report the following quotations of government and State bonds in New York to-day, as furnished them by Jay Cook & Co., their correspondents:

	Bid.	Asked.
1881	115½	115½
1862	116¼	116¾
1864	117¼	117¾
1865		
1865, new	117¾	117¾
1867	118¾	118¾
1868	118¾	118¾
10-40s	115¼	115¾
New 5s	113¾	113¾
Gold	112¾	112¾
Currency 6s	114¾	115
Tennessees, old	81¾	82
Tennessees, new	81	
South Carolinas, July	15	18
North Carolinas, old	27	
North Carolinas, new	15	
Missouris	90	

—James T. Brady & Co., corner of Fourth avenue and Wood street, quote United States securities in New York to-day as follows:

Gold	112¾
United States 6s, 1881	115¼
United States 5-20s, 1862	116¼
United States 5-20s, 1864	117¼
United States 5-20s, 1865	
United States 10-40s	115¼
United States 5s, January and July, 1881	113¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1867	118¾
United States 5-20s, January and July, 1868	118¾
Currency Pacific's	114¾

—In the general stock market the cards were the Vanderbilt shares, which continue strong, and to lead the market on active buying. The demand was large for Central and Lake Shore, the latter deriving impetus from the fact that all the $6,000,000 funding loan has been taken. This will enable the company to equip the road in a manner proper to receive the additional freight accession, and it is quite likely the next move will be to lease it to Central as it also seems to be on the programme. With these three stocks forming the nucleus of the summer speculation, there is every hope of continued activity in the general list. Wesendorf & Union Telegraph was sought for by early buyers and the price advanced to 91¾, the market being at its highest point of altitude about noon. Soon after this came the news of the Baltimore fire, which had a tendency to weaken the general list, being accompanied by a disposition to press stocks, and it was during this time that Telegraph touched 90¾, and the lowest prices of other stocks made, though a reaction set in just before the close, the market leaving off firm. Erie performed one of its eccentric movements again to-day, and after moving quietly until near delivery hour at 6⅞ to 6¾, with a difference of ⅛ to ¼ per cent., it became active and "regular," became suddenly flighty. As this hour—the 3 P. M. appointed for the delivery of faults reported, and upwards of 5,000 shares were closed out. Under the rule of "regular" at 6¾ to 6⅞, the Union Telegraph erected by the Canton Land Company commenced yesterday to be used by the Erie, Western Union and New York railroad trains. The income to be derived from this source is likely to be large in the future, and will, it is thought, very materially enhance the value of the Canton shares.

—The following table shows the prices of railway stocks, gold, &c., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange this day, furnished by George I. Whitney, Esq., broker and dealer in stocks, bonds and gold, corner of Fifth avenue and Wood street:

July 27, 1873.	10:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	12:30 P.M.	1:30 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Gold	115⅛	115⅛	115⅛	115⅛	115⅝
Western Union Telegraph	91¾	92¼	92¼	92¾	
Quicksilver					
Pacific Mail	37¾	38¼		37¾	37¾
Adams Express	71	71		71	
Wells-Fargo Express	71	71		69	
American Express		63		63	63
United States Express		85¾		85¾	
New York Centrals	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾
Erie	59⅝	59¾	59¾	59⅝	59¾
Michigan Central	90	90¾		90¾	90¾
Michigan Sou. bens	90¾	90¾		90¾	90¾
Illinois Central		88¾		88¾	88¾
Cleveland and Pittsb'gh					
Chicago and N. W.	69¾	70		69¾	69¾
Chic. go and N. W. pref.		83		83	
Rock Island	110½	111		110¾	111
St. Paul	51¾	52¼		51½	51¾
St. Paul pref.	72	72¼		72	72¾
Wabash		27¾		27¾	27¾
Wabash pref.					
Fort Wayne		93¾		93¾	93¾
Ohio and Mississippi		27¾		27¾	27¾
Union Pacific		27¾		27¾	27¾
Chicago and Alton		97¾		97¾	
Chicago and Alton pref.					
Boston, Hart. and Erie					
Ohio and Miss.		13¾		13¾	13¾
C. C. and I. C.					
Hannibal and St. Joseph		21¾		22¼	
Ins. Monitor					
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PRODUCE AND GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, MONDAY, July 28, 1873.

REMARKS.—The weather continues cloudy, with occasional showers of rain. The Allegheny river is rising, with over feet reported above. Should this state of things not "run out" too soon, large receipts of crude oil may be looked for in a few days by river.

The general markets opened to-day just about as they closed on Saturday, there being little or no changes in prices or volume of business.

The advance in western brands of flour, foreshadowed in our remarks of Saturday, has taken place on Minnesotas, which have advanced 25@50 bbl. Other brands, including mills, are unchanged. The market is reported moderately active.

The grain markets remain unchanged, and we refer the reader to rates quoted below.

There is a good demand for choice fresh butter with the supply short of the demand.

Eggs are in light supply, falling short of the demand. Fresh guaranteed are in active request at mill prices.

Cheese continues very firm, with prices steadily tending upward.

The prospect of the hop crop for this season is looked upon as unfavorable from a variety of causes which have been noted in another department of this paper. The market here is unchanged.

There is an active demand for timothy seed. Flax seed is also in fair demand. Clover seed not in the market.

The receipts of apples continue light, and we may add that the varieties are of an inferior quality, generally speaking. A country paper informs us that when the "windfalls are all sent to market there will be a few choice left, which will be consumed at home." Nice prospect for lovers of choice apples.

Potatoes are arriving more freely, and prices are lower, which will be good news to the lovers of this popular esculant.

The grocery market continues active, with prices tending upward in the east, though not quotably higher in this market. We advise those in want of sugars, coffees, in large or small quantities, to buy them *now*, as prices will go no lower.

The vegetable market is fully supplied with all the "dainties" usually current at this season of the year:

Below we give the wholesale rates of the market, unless special mention is made to the contrary:

APPLES—Receipts 45 bbls. Fall stock in good demand at $1 50@3 00 ₱ bbl, according to quality.

ASHES—We quote common soda at 4¾c; refined 6c; pots 9@9¾c; pearls 11c; arsenic 3½@4½c; nitrate soda 4½@5c; bank lead 6c.

ALES—X $9; XX $10; porter $10; India ale $11 ₱ bbl. Bass Ale, Allsorsin, 32 qts, $18; 64 qts, $36; 8 bbls, 45 gals, $44; hhds, 65 gals, $65.

APPLE BUTTER—Sales at 45@50c. ₱ gallon as to quality; sales 2 bbls.

BANNER BAKING POWDER—Market active; ¼ ₱ cans, ₱ doz, $1 60; ½ cans ₱ doz, $2 75; 1 ₱ cans ₱ doz $27; 10 ₱ wooden boxes, ₱ lb, 40c.

BUTTER—Receipts 9 packages. No changes in prices. The supply of choice fresh is not up with the demand. We quote at 18@20c; old 10@15c.

BRISTWAX—Sales in a small way at 32@33c ₱ lb.

BROOM CORN—The demand is reported fair for hurl at 8¾@9c; green 6½@7½c.

BEANS—Sales prime white navy at $2 50@3 00 ₱ bush.

BACON AND PROVISIONS—Receipts, tierces, 113. No change in prices with sales made at the following figures: Sugar cured hams 16c; canvassed sugar cured shoulders 11c; plain shoulders 9¾c; rib sides 10¾c; clear rib sides 11c; clear sides 11¾c; breakfast bacon 13¾c; dried beef 19¾c; mess pork, ₱ bbl, $18 00; lard land, in tierces, 9¾c; refined lard, in tierces, 10c; refined lard, in half bbls, 10¾; refined lard, in kegs and buckets, 11¼c.

CHEESE—Receipts 254 bxs. Prices have a strong upward tendency, though not quotably higher here. We quote as follows: Factory 11¾@12c in round lots to the trade, and in a jobbing way at 13c; Dairy 7½@8c.

COUNTRY MEATS—Hams 9@11c; shoulders 5@6c; sides 7¾@8c; country lard 8c.

CONCENTRATED LYE—Sales at $7 75@8 00 ₱ case.

CREESY—Brown's hydraulic $2 00@3 25; Louisville $2 25@2 50; Rosendale $4 00@4 50; white lime $2; calcined plaster $4 50@5 00; land plaster $3 00@3 50.

CRANBERRIES—Sackett's and Carey's at $12@13 ₱ bbl; lower grades $8@10.

CASTOR OIL—We quote f. o. b. on cars at 14½@16c. Trade unusual from prices.

DRIED FRUITS—Peaches, halves 7@8c; mixed 6@7c; peeled 16@18c. Apples 3@3½c. Blackberries 10@12c. Huckleberries 12@13c. Cherries 12@13c.

EGGS—Under light receipts prices are firm, though not quotably higher. We continue rates for guaranteed fresh were 18@20c ₱ dozen. The supply falls short of the demand.

FISH—Large shad, No 1, $25 ₱ bbl; medium "do No 1, $23; bay, No 1, $21; for half barrels, quarters and kits 30c more; lake herring, quarters, $1 15; white fish $8.

FEATHERS—Sales of strictly prime at 73@75c; mixed at 60@65c.

GROCERIES—We have nothing new to say, only that the advance in all green coffees continues, and that our prices are posted by knowing ones in New York. Our readers would undoubtedly do well to buy all they need for the next two months to come, as prices will be no lower. Sugars are ready sale at our quotations, as we noted on Saturday, &c. Following are the ruling prices of the market:

Sugars—Crushed sugar, 11¾c; powdered, 11¼c; granulated, 11¼c; A, 11¼c; B, 10¾c; extra C, 10¼c; Franklin Extra C, 10¼c; Delaware extra C, 10¼c; American extra C, 9¾c; H. G. & Co. B, 9c; other grades 8¾ to 9¾c.

Coffee—Choice Rio 26c; good to prime 22¾@24c; choice old Government Java 30c; roasted, loose, 27@c; 1 lb packages, 28c.

Syrups—Common, 28@33c; honey, 45c; golden, 50c; Centennial, 60c; Sterling Drip, 70c; New Orleans molasses, 70@75c.

Rice—Rangoon, 7¾c; Patna, 8c; Carolina, 10c.

FLOUR—Receipts for the past twenty-four hours only 466 barrels, showing a large falling off. There has been an advance in Minnesota brands of 25c per barrel. All other spring wheat flours, as well as Ohio red and white wheat family brands, are unchanged in prices. We quote as follows: Mills—$8 50@9 00 ₱ bbl. Stores—$7 25, $8 25, $9 25, $7 75, $7 50@7 00 ₱ bbl.

GRAIN—Following are the receipts of corn, rye and oats for the past morning by rail and river, exclusive of elevator:

Corn, sacks	240	Rye, sacks 150
Oats, sacks	1,250	

With regard to the market we have little to say beyond what will be found in our general remarks. In conversation with an intelligent dealer this morning, he asserted us that there would be no settled market until the effect of the new crops was definitely known. To use his own language, "Purchasers are now pursuing the 'hand to mouth' policy, taking only what they can't do without." We quote as follows: Red winter $1 46; white $1 65. No. 2 Milwaukee spring, 1 46@1 47; white 1 65@1 66. Shelled corn, in sacks, 46@47c; in bulk, 45@46c. Shelled corn 56c on elevator and 58c on grain. Oats, car lots 36c. Rye 86c.

HAY—There is no change to note in prices; indeed the market, between old and new, good and inferior, is hard to quote. Out of a prime quality is held at $20@40; new, from wagons, $20@27; baled $24@29.

ONIONS—Prices unchanged at $4 50@5 00 per bbl.

HOMINY—Sales at $4@4 25 per bbl.

HOPS—Market firm at 55@60c for 1872. The prospect for the new crop is reported as unfavorable.

LARD OIL—Sales extra No. 1 at 75c; No. 2, 63@65c ₱ gallon.

MILL FEED—Choice middlings $1 75 ₱ 100 lbs; good seconds, $1 50; shorts 80c; chopped corn and oats $1 35; chopped corn $1 25 ₱ 100 lbs.

POULTRY—Sales of spring chickens by the coop at 50@60c per pair; old 75@80c.

POTATOES—There has been no further decline in prices, and we continue to quote at $3 50@4 00 ₱ bbl.

PEANUTS—Per lb 5@5½c; ₱ bushel 85@90c.

RAGS—Sales at 4¼@4½c ₱ lb.

SAFFOLD—Per case of 6 doz. 56; hard, do, $5.

SEEDS—Flaxseed is in demand at $2 10@2 12; timothy seed in good request at $4 50. Clover seed and seed buckwheat out of the market.

TALLOW—We are reported a more active demand with sales at 7¾@8c ₱ lb.

WHISKY—We quote high wines at 96@97½c ₱ per gallon.

WOODEN WARE—Two hoop pails $2 50; three hoop do $2 75; No. 3 tubs $9; No. 2 do $10; No. 1 do $11 50; wash boards, IXL, $2 50; do Todds $2 75; do Acme $2 75.

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, TUESDAY, July 29, 1873.

REMARKS.—The oil market continues to drag along slowly, presenting nothing new or important. Buyers are still shy and disposed to hold of or at least to purchase very sparingly. We have seldom noticed less inclination to operate. Prices just now are very uncertain.

CRUDE.

There was no inquiry here for the raw material. Buyers did not put in an appearance; holders were offering to sell at 5¼@5¾c per gallon. Parker's—sales of 2,000 bbls were reported at $1 80 per bbl. For prices in the oil regions see dispatches.

REFINED.

Dull as ever. We can only give the nominal rates, viz: 14¾@15c per gallon by the car load.

OIL BARRELS.

The firmness that has noted for some time continues with sales of city make, $2 25; country, $2 15.

[By Western Union Telegraph.]

TITUSVILLE, July 28.—The *Courier* says the market was quiet at all points. In fact it was the dullest day of the season. Sales:

1,400 bbls per road, spot.....$1 95
500 bbls upper road, spot..... 1 95
1,000 bbls Oil City, spot..... 1 97½
500 bbls Oil City, spot..... 2 00
400 bbls Parker's, spot..... 1 90

NEW YORK, July 28, closing 27.—Market unchanged, and holders firm. Crude in bulk, 7¾c; refined, 17½@17¾c; sales 1,000 bbls at 17¾c. Cases 23½@24c. Naphta 10c. Philadelphia delivery quiet and unsettled; refined 18c.

OIL CITY, July 28.—Market not opened, and nominal at $2 00.

PETROLEUM CENTER, July 28.—Market quiet and unsettled at $1 90.

TITUSVILLE, July 28.—Market quiet and dull at $1 90@1 97½.

TIDIOUTE, July 28.—Market unchanged at $1 90. PHILADELPHIA, July 26.—Market dull; S. W. 15@18¾c; crude, 12¾@12½c; cases, 22¾c; futures, 18c.

[By Pacific & Atlantic Telegraph Line.]

TIDIOUTE, July 28.—Market quiet at $1 80.

PARKER'S, July 28.—Market quiet and dull at $1 80.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Crude 7¾@7¾c; refined 17¾@c; market quiet and dull.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—Refined 18¾@c; crude 7¾@c in bulk; bbls 12¾; market quiet and dull.

OIL CITY, July 28.—Market very dull at $1 97½@2 00.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—Market very dull and nothing doing; $1 90 bid; $1 95 asked.

Crude Oil Received by Allegheny Valley R. R.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
O J Greer	Vesta O W	220
Fisher Bros	Vesta O W	319
H McKelvey	Vesta O W	319
Tod King	Vesta O W	639
Wm Stewart	Sunbeam O W	80
W Stevenson	Iverdene O W	756
N W Stevenson	Eagle O W	400
M B Kelley	Cosmos O W	309
H McKeever	Cosmos O W	456
Lockhart & Frew	Brilliant O W	645
Greer	Lockhart & Frew	639
B S Duncan	American O W	308
B S Duncan	American O W	634

Crude Oil Received by Rail and River.

		Bbls.
Vesta O W	Cosmos O W	765
Sunbeam O W	Brilliant O W	645
Peerless O W	Lockhart & Frew	639
Fairview O W	American O W	932
Total		5,774

Refined Oil Shipped East by the A. V. R., W. P. R. and P. R. R.

WEST PENN JUNCTION, July 27, 1873.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
L Irwin & Co	Waring, Bros & Co, Phila	204
Vesta O W	Waring, Bros & Co, Phila	204
Wormser, M & Co	Waring, Bros & Co, Phila	196
J A McKee & Sons	Jno P Logan, Phila	359
Central Ref Co	Jno P Logan, Phila	821
Standard Ref Co	Warden, F & Co, Phila	350
Lockhart, F & Co	Warden, F & Co, Phila	307
Total		2,339

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, ILL., July 28, 1873.

FLOUR—Quiet at $5 50@6 70.

GRAIN—Wheat irregular; No 1, $1 28; No 2, $1 20¾ at 21¾; No 3, $1 14¾. Corn lower; 35c for regular and spot. Oats dull and lower; No 2, 27c, cash; 26c August. Rye and barley quiet and unchanged.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull at $15 56. Lard dull at 7¾c. Bacon firm and unchanged.

WHISKY—Steady at 92c bbl at the close.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Cotton in good demand at 21c. Flour lower; white wheat extra ₱ 100 lbs and common to good $5 90@6 40; good to choice $6 25@7 10. Rye flour steady at $5 50@6 00. Wheat 1@2c lower; No 2 do $1 30@1 32. Rye quiet at 78c. Barley and malt unchanged. Corn heavy; steamer, mixed western, 50@54½c; sail, do, 55@57½c. Oats dull; new mixed western 43@45c; white 47@48c. Eggs dull at 20@21c. Hay and hops quiet and firm. Coffee quiet at 20@22c. Sugar firm at 7¾@8c. Molasses firm. Rice steady at 9@10c. Crude petroleum 7¾c; refined, 17¾@17¾c. Pork active; new mess $17 50@17 75. Beef dull; lines $9@10 50. Cut meats quiet; long cut hams 13c. Middles quiet; long clear 9¾c; short 9¾c. Lard weak; western steam 8¾c; cash; new, on spot, 8¾c. Butter firmer and in good demand; fair to prime western 16@20c. Cheese firm and in good demand; fair to prime 12@13c.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Beeves—Fresh receipts were 26 cars or 5,130 head, making 10,964 head for the week, against 1,730 head for the previous week. Market opened fair but closed dull and weak, with the latest transactions at a decline of about ½ ₱ lb, and 1,000 lbs about average. Natives steers sold at 10¾@12½c to extra 56 to 58 lbs to 59 to 61 lbs; stags at 9¾@10¾c; dress 55 lbs and 56 lbs; and fat bulls at 3¾@4c. Five weight. Sales included 9 cars Illinois steers, 1¾ cwt, at 11¾@12½c; 8 cars do, 5 cwt, at 11¾@12c; 3 cars do, 8¾ cwt, at 12@12½c; 5 cars do, 5 cwt, at 12@12½c; 3 cars do, 6¾@6¾ cwt, at 11¾@11¾c; 2 cars do, 6¾@6¾ cwt, at 12c; 2 cars do, 6¾@6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12c; 9 cars do, 6 cwt, at 11¾@12c; 10 cars do, 6¾@6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12c; 12 cars do, 6¾@6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12c; 6 cars Kentucky steers, 6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12½c; 6 cars do, 6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12½c; 4 cars do, 7¾ cwt, at 11¾@12½c; 7 cars do, 6¾ cwt, at 11¾@12c; 6 cars of good Cherokee cattle, 6¾ cwt, at 11c; 6 cars do, 6¾ cwt, at 10¾@10¾c; 6 cars do, strong 5¾ cwt, at 10@10¾c, and 4 cars of mixed Texans, 4¾@5¾ cwt, at 8¾@9¾c ₱ lb.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts were 37 cars or 7,520 head, making 28,700 head for the week against 31,-600 head last week. Market heavily depressed and sales slow at 4@6c per lb for common to prime sheep and 7¼@9c for Texas. Lambs, 6@7½c for common. Sheep unchanged; sales of 9,000 head at 4¾@5¾c per lb. Hogs—Sales of 5,000 head at $5 75@5 75.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—Cotton, oats and barley quiet and unchanged. Flour dull at $5 20. Wheat steady and in moderate demand at $1 25@1 30. Corn firm at 45c. Rye quiet at 70c. Groceries firm. Eggs quiet at 12¾@13c. Pork held at $16 00. Lard dull at 8¾c. Bulk meats firm at 7½@9¼c. Bacon firm at 8¾@10¾@10¾c. Whisky firm at 92c.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, July 28.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat dull; No 1 white Michigan $1 05; No 2, $1 03; amber do, $1 07. Corn steady; high mixed, spot, 42c; seller August, 43½c; seller September, 44½c. Oats in good better; No 1, seller August, 32½c; No 2, 32¾@33½c.

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—Flour dull; white wheat $7 00@7 50. Wheat drooping; new red $1 59@1 57. Oats steady at 50c. Pork $17 50. Shoulders, in salt, 8½c. Lard dull at 8½@8¾c. Crude petroleum 12½c; refined 18¾c. Whisky scarce at 96c.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, July 28.—Flour unchanged. Wheat active at $1 62@1 67. Corn nominal at 56@56½c. Oats dull at 40@43c. Rye firm at 85c. Provisions quiet. Pork $17 50. Lard dull at 8¾@8¾c. Western butter unchanged. Whisky firm at 90¾c.

Louisville Market.

LOUISVILLE, July 28.—Cotton dull at 18¾c. Flour easy at $5 50@6 00. Wheat firm at $1 20@1 30. Oats firm at 42@46c. Coffee strong at 22@25c. Pork firm at $16@16 25. Bacon steady at 8¾@10¾@10½c. Whisky steady at 92c.

Milwaukee Market.

MILWAUKEE, July 28.—Flour quiet at $5 90@6 70. Wheat dull; No 1 Milwaukee $1 26; No 2, $1 21. Corn dull at 36½c. Oats steady at 30¾@31¾c. Rye dull; No 1, 78c. Barley—Demand fair and market firm; No 2, 80c.

Cleveland Market.

CLEVELAND, July 28.—Wheat dull and declined; No 1 red $1 36@1 37; No 2 $1 26. Corn steady at 46@49c. Oats—No 1, 38c; No 2, 36c. Petroleum quiet and unchanged.

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New York Finance and Trade

Gold Closed at 115⅛.

NEW YORK, July 28, 1873—4 P. M.

MONEY.

Money easy at 3 to 4 per cent.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling Exchange weak and lower at 108¾@109 for sixty days and 109¾@109⅞ for sight.

GOLD.

Gold weak in the morning, declining to 115⅛, but afterwards there was a firmer feeling with all business at 115⅜@115¾, closing at 115⅝. Loans were from 1 to 4 per cent. for carrying and flat for borrowing. Carryings $25,900,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $134,000. German bankers were the principal buyers to-day.

GOVERNMENTS.

Governments dull and firm.

U. S. coup., 81	119½	6 20s '67	118½
5 20s '62	116¾	5-20s '68	118
5-20s '64	117¾	New 5s	114½
5-20s '65	118½	10-40s	115¾
New 5-20s '65	115¾	Currency 6s	114

STOCKS.

State bonds quiet at nominal prices.

Missouri	93½	Virginia, old	42
Tennessee, old	81¾	N. Carolina, old	27
Tennessee, new	81	N. Carolina, new	15
Virginia, new	50		

STOCK EXCHANGE.

Stocks active at a higher range of prices. An unusually large business was done in some stocks, Western Union being the most prominent. There were some large purchases of Lake Shore and New York Central, and both were strong in tone. Erie was the weak spot of the market, falling off from 59¾ to 58⅝, sales were reported as low as 58⅜ seller August. There was no important difference between cash and regular. Harlem was irregular, changing from 134 to 132¾, with late sales at 132¾@133. The *Express* says the activity in stocks to-day was due to a considerable extent to orders to buy from the country banking places, especially orders from Saratoga for Vanderbilt shares. Rumors were also afloat for Vanderbilt shares, for Western Union weak and for Erie other wise steady.

Canton	101¾	St. Paul preferred	73¾
Quicksilver	37	Toledo & Wabash	24½
W. U. Tel. Co	92¾	Wabash preferred	39
Adams Express	71	Fort Wayne	93¾
Wells, Fargo & Co	71	Terre Haute	15
American Ex. Co	63½	Do preferred	34
U. S. Express Co	67¾	Chicago & Alton	108½
Pacific Mail	37½	Do preferred	109
N. Y. Central	104¾	Ohio and Mississippi	39¾
Erie	58⅜	C., C. and C	88
Do preferred	71	Burlington & Quincy	109¾
Harlem	133¾	Lake Shore	93¾
Do preferred	135	Panama	95½
Michigan Central	90¾	Illinois Central	105
P., Ft. W. & C	88¾	Union Pacific	27¾
Northwest common	69¾	Central Pacific	109¾
Do preferred	82	Union	84
Rock Island	111	Del. & Lack	97¾
New Jersey Central	102	Hartford & Erie	24
St. Paul	52	Bankers' Bills	109¾

OCEAN STEAMERS.

Date of Departure from New York.

Columbia	July 30	Glasgow.
Montana	July 30	Liverpool.
Glamorgan	July 30	Cardiff.

RIVER TELEGRAMS.

Steamer Arlington Launched.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

CINCINNATI, July 28, 1873.

The steamer Arlington, Capt. Dan Moore's pet, was launched to-day all right. She draws twenty-eight inches aft and twenty inches forward.

MIAMI.

Brownsville, Pa.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

BROWNSVILLE, PA., July 28, 1873.

River stationary, with four and a half feet of water in the channel. Weather cloudy; thermometer 71 at 6 P. M.

Wheeling, W. Va.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WHEELING, W. VA., July 28, 1873.

Weather warm and showery. The steamers left for Parkersburg in place of the Andes, at 5:30 A. M. The Andes, from Cincinnati, arrived at 7 P. M. River four feet five inches and rising slowly. M.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, July 28.—River ten feet two inches and falling. Rain fell this afternoon. Weather fair and cooler.

Evansville.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., July 28.—Cloudy. Rained nearly all day. River has fallen four inches. Port lial—Dowden, Phil Sheridan, Mary Miller, Mary Vesta & Wm Arkansas Belle, Jr.—Geo Roberts, Morning Star, Fearless and barges and Bowling Green. Business moderate.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, July 28.—River falling steadily. Clear and pleasant. Departed—Belle of Memphis, St. Louis.

Nashville.

NASHVILLE, July 28.—Fourteen inches rise in the last twenty-four hours; now three feet seven inches on Harpeth Shoals. Departed—Hudson, Gen. Buell, Arch F. Green, Upper Cumberland; Aid No. 2 for Harpeth Shoals with six barges of stone. Clear and pleasant.

For Latest River Dispatches see Fourth Page

RIVER NEWS.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Arrived.

West Virginia	Dingwall'n	Geneva.
E. Bennett	Carmack	Geneva.
Elizabeth	Houghton	Elizabeth.
Monongahela	Phillips	Geneva.

Departed.

E. Bennett	Carmack	Geneva.
West Virginia	Dingwall'n	Geneva.
Elizabeth	Houghton	Elizabeth.
Maille Ragon	J. T. Russell	Wheeling.

MONONGAHELA—Seven feet three inches.

Boats Departing this Day.

Geneva.....West Virginia.....Donaldson, 7 A. M.

THE marks last evening indicated seven feet three inches and rising. The weather was very warm.

ANOTHER rise in our rivers—moderate prospect for a barge line.

CAPT. E. C. GRAY was expected home last night from St. Louis.

THE steamer Maille Ragon, Capt. Russell left for Wheeling with a fair trip.

THE packet Juniata, Captain Brennan, was announced to leave Cincinnati for this port yesterday.

THE new steamer Kate Dickson, Captain Wilson, will soon be ready to take her place in the Pittsburgh and Geneva trade.

THE steamer Granite State, Capt. Kerr, left Portsmouth yesterday. She will be on time, and leave for Parkersburg on Friday at 4 P. M.

CAPT. WORNELDORFF, at Middleport, Ohio, is building a new wharfboat for use at that point. It will contain all the latest improvements.

THE Phil Sheridan takes in tow at New Albany the new hull for the Missouri Star Line. She takes it to St. Louis, where the boat will be completed.

A COLORED woman named Washington, a passenger, gave birth to twins on the last trip of the Phil Sheridan. They were named after the boat and its officers.

CAPT. W. C. GRAY, of the iron Mountain, is going to Cape May for a little recreation. The old man has had a busy time for the last nine months, and requires a little rest.

THE William H. Brown, J. S. Neel and Storm No. 3 have laid up at Middleport. Tue W. H. Harrison will also be laid up, temporarily. The Little Condor is on the docks at that place.

WM. STORM, barkeeper on the steamer Phil

The Pittsburgh Commercial: Tuesday, July 29, 1873.

THE VERY LATEST.

EUROPE.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

Spain.

SEVERE ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN REPUBLICANS AND CARLISTS.

BAYONNE, July 28.—It is reported that a severe engagement has taken place near Pampeluna, between the Republicans and Carlists, in which the latter were successful. Two guns and three hundred prisoners are said to have been captured by the Royalists.

ARMS FOR THE CARLISTS.

BAYONNE, July 28.—A steamer to-day landed 3,000 Remington rifles at Fontarabia, near Bilbao, where they were received by a band of 600 Carlists and taken into the interior. Don Carlos and Lizzarago were reported on Friday last at Senazarada, near Vittoria.

MADRID, July 28.—Republican artillerymen in Valencia have joined the insurgents. Contreras has dissolved the insurrectionary junta in Cartagena. Two additional German men-of-war and a British frigate have arrived at Carthagena.

NAVAL BATTLE EXPECTED AT CARTHAGENA.

[New York Herald Special.]

LONDON, July 28.—At Carthagena, Spain, yesterday, the red flag of the Intransigentes which had been flying above fortresses and ships in the harbor was replaced by the national flag. In anticipation of trouble the iron clad, Mendez Munez, and also the arsenal yard and anchored in port, ready for any movement, also the Numancia, Victoria ant others. To-day the iron clads accompanied by three steamers, were to issue from the harbor, and if interfered with will be supplied with vessels. A sanguinary naval engagement is expected. The Prussian and English Consuls have received orders from their respective governments to notify cruisers that the rebel ships are pirates and to treat them as such. Admiral Lobo of Ferrol notify vessels belonging to foreign powers interferes with the inspection of vessels in the city. Strangers are apprehensive and are flying for their lives.

England.

THE QUESTION OF BELLIGERENT RIGHTS FOR THE CARLISTS—DUKE OF EDINBURG'S MARRIAGE.

LONDON, July 28.—In the House of Commons today Phillip Callan asked if there was any probability that the Carlists in Spain would be recognized as belligerents. Viscount Enfield, Under Secretary for the Foreign Department, replied that the Carlists were undoubtedly gaining ground, but matters were not in a state to entitle them to belligerent rights. A message from the Queen, notifying the Commons of the forthcoming marriage of the Duke of Edinburgh and asking that provision be made therefor was received and read. Austin Bruce, Home Secretary, moved that owing to the absence of Mr. Gladstone, in consequence of indisposition the consideration of the message be postponed until to-morrow.

ROWING MATCH ON THE TYNE—TAYLOR BEATS KELLEY

LONDON, July 28.—The rowing match on the Tyne between Kelley and Taylor, for two hundred pounds a side was won easily by Taylor.

Rome.

THE POPE ADDRESSES THE NEW BISHOPS.

ROME, July 28.—The Pope to-day received a number of newly nominated bishops. In his address he urged them to defend zealously the rights of the Church. Refering to the conflict of the ecclesiastical authorities in Brazil with Free Masonry, he said the Free Masons were liable to excommunication the same as members of other secret societies, notwithstanding the charitable objects of their organization. The Liberals have carried the elections in Naples.

Germany.

RESPONSIBILITY DISAVOWED.

BERLIN, July 28.—The German government disavows responsibility for the seizure of the Spanish steamer Vigilante, and calls upon Capt. Werner, commanding the German man-of-war which effected the capture, to account for his proceedings. His report of the affair has not yet been received.

France.

PARIS, July 28.—The Assembly has passed a bill abolishing the shipping tax. The Extreme Left has to form a Vigilance Committee which is to meet after each meeting of the permanent committee of the Assembly during recess.

South America.

PROTESTANT MARRIAGES DECLARED INDISSOLUBLE.

LONDON, July 28.—The South American mail steamer has arrived with dates from Rio Janeiro to the 7th inst. A decree in favor of Protestant Rio declaring Protestant marriages indissoluble unless declared otherwise by competent legal tribunals. The bill for reorganization of the National Guard is before the Chamber of Deputies on its third reading.

European Markets.

LONDON, July 28.—The rate of discount for three months' bills in open market is 5 p. cent. below the bank rate. Consols for money 92¾@92⅞. American securities—5-20s, 1865, 94; 5-20s, do 1867, 93⅝; 10-40s, 91; new 5s, 90¾; 6-20s, 96¼. Sugar, 36s. 6d. Petroleum, 1s. 2d.

LIVERPOOL, July 28.—Rentes 58 francs 40 centimes.

LIVERPOOL, July 28.—Cotton—Uplands middling uplands 8⅞@8⅞d; New Orleans 9@9¼d; August and September delivery from Savannah and Charleston 9 15-16@10 Breadstuffs firmer. California white wheat, 11s. 10d@12s 2d@12s 4d; new western spring 11s. 11s 10d. Corn 27s 9d. Flour 24s@26s. Beef 80s 6d. Cheese 62s. Cumberland middles 37s 6d; short rib middles 40s. Refined petroleum 13¾@14d.

ANTWERP, July 28.—Refined petroleum 35¾ francs.

FOREIGN NEWS BY MAIL

THE SHAH ON RELIGIOUS TOLERATION.

NEW YORK, July 28.—London papers of the 16th give the reply of the Shah to the address sent him on the subject of religious liberty in Persia. He says in substance that toleration is already universal in Persia, no one, whether Christian, or Jew, or Parsee, being subjected to persecution on account of his religion. He will give the subject the best attention on his return to Persia, in case that religious liberty can be shown to all, without distinction of class or creed.

TRAGIC FATE OF AN AUTHORESS.

The London *Times* of the 16th says Mrs. Clive, the authoress, was writing in her boudoir on the evening of the 14th inst., when a spark flew from the fire and lighted her dress. Before assistance reached the unfortunate lady, who for years had been a confirmed invalid, she burned most terribly. Sue died on the following morning.

TRIAL OF AMERICAN MOWERS AND REAPERS AT THE VIENNA EXHIBITION.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Tribune* says that the trial of mowers and reapers, which took place on the 9th ult., was a complete triumph for the Americans. At the last moment the English and French backed out, and there were only four European machines on the ground. Fourteen American machines, fifteen Austrian, and one German competed. All the American machines did their work well, except one, which broke down, and one stuck through no fault of the machine, but through the stupidity of the driver. The arrangements were stupidly defective. There was no prize awarded to any system. Most of the teams were unused to work and gave a good deal of trouble. Some were of immense, powerful stallions, and others wretched, rawboned beasts that could scarcely pull the machines. Then the grass differed greatly in different parts of the field. So the trial with conditions so unequal, was too vast a span for him on the ground that he was interested in one of the machines. So America was unrepresented, and the jury was composed entirely of foreigners. It is reported that all Americans present and reports that took part in the trial will get medals, some for progress, others for merit. The awards will not be made until next month.

THE WEATHER.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 28, 8 P. M.

[PROBABILITIES FOR TUESDAY.

For the Middle Atlantic States south and west winds with partly cloudy followed by clearing weather.

For the Gulf States rising barometer, southwest and northwest winds, somewhat lower temperature and generally clear weather except on the immediate coast where local storms will probably continue. For the South Atlantic States southeasterly winds veering to south-west and generally cloudy weather. For New England and New York falling barometer, southeast and southwest winds and occasional rain and local storms. For the Lower Lake region north east and northwest winds backing to southwest and storms and cloudy weather. For the Upper Lakes and Northwest north and west winds, rising barometer, partly cloudy and clearing weather.

Midnight Bulletin.

JULY 28, 1873—10:48 P. M.

PLACE OF OBSERVATION.	Ther.	Wind	Weather.
Cairo, Ill.	75	S.	Clear.
Cincinnati, O.	75	S.	Fair.
Davenport, Iowa.	73	N. W.	Clear.
Galveston, Texas.	82	S.	Clear.
Indianapolis, Ind.	73	S.	Clear.
Leavenworth, Ks.	72	N.	Clear.
Louisville, Ky.	76	N.	Clear.
Memphis, Tenn.	76	S. W.	Clear.
Nashville, Tenn.	74		Clear.
New Orleans.	83	S. W.	Clear.
Omaha, Neb.	68	N. W.	Clear.
Pittsburgh, Pa.	72	E.	Cloudy.
Shreveport, La.	75	N. E.	Clear.
St. Louis, Mo.	75	W.	Cloudy.
St. Paul, Minn.	65	W.	Clear.
Vicksburg, Miss.	83	N.	Clear.
Keokuk, Iowa.	74	N. W.	Clear.
Fort Gibson	75	S. W.	Cloudy.
La Crosse.	66		Clear.

THE RIVERS.

OBSERVATION, SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. A.,
Pittsburgh, July 28, 1873.

Daily report of the stage of water, with changes in the twenty-four hours ending 3 P. M.

STATIONS.	ABOVE L'W WR	CHANGE — Or +	DIRECT'N OF WIND	STATE OF WEATHER.
	Ft.	In.		
Cairo, Ill.	20	0	S. W.	Fair.
Cincinnati.	9	10	— 0	Clear.
Davenport.	6	0	3	W.	Fair.
Keokuk.	5	1	— 0	4	N. E.	Fair.
Leavenworth.	7	9		N. W.	Fair.
Le Claire.	4	9	— 0	7	N. W.	Fair.
La Crosse.	4	0	— 0	2	N. W.	Threat'g
Louisville.	6	0	— 0	4	S. W.	L't Rain.
Memphis.	15	10	— 0	2	W.	Fair.
Nash-ll-louity.	8	10	— 0	2	W.	Fair.
New Orleans.	6	3	1	— 0	4	N.	L't Rain.
Omaha.	10	10	2	4	S. W.	Threat'g
Pittsburgh.	7	2	1	4	S. W.	Threat'g
Shreveport.	13	2		N.	Cloudy.
St. Louis.				W.	Fair.
St. Paul.	4	9		N. W.	Fair.
Vicksburg.	26	4		N.	Fair.
Yankton.	10	8	— 0	4	N.	Fair.

JAMES B. MURRAY,
Observer Signal Service, U. S. A.

ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, July 28.—The river continues to decline, with a five foot decline in the canal and three feet ten inches in the pass down the Indian chute. The G. B. Church has received here 200 kinds of tobacco at 50c per barrel, 1,100 barrels of pork at 50c per barrel, 250 bacon sides at 7c, 300 barrels of potatoes at 60c, and a lot of miscellaneous freight. The Mississippi Transportation Company's barge No. 50 was launched from Messrs. Howard & Co.'s ship yard at three P. M. to-day. It has capacity to carry 1,100 tons and is the largest barge built in the West. Weather cloudy and hot, with indications of rain. Arrived—Charmer, Evansville. Departed—Charmer, Cincinnati.

Cairo.

CAIRO, ILL., July 28.—Arrived—City of Vicksburg, Vicksburg; Hannibal City, Grant; Belvidere, St. Louis. Departed—City of Vicksburg, St. Louis; Bennock City, St. Louis. River has fallen three inches. Clear and pleasant.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, MO., July 28.—Arrived—Grand Tower, Memphis; Ironsides, Cairo; Maggie P., Illinois river; Anita, Missouri river; Baker, Quincy; Northwestern, St. Paul. Departed—Mohawk, New Orleans; Cliff Chester, Memphis; Davenport, St. Paul; Johnson, Rover and Ironsides, Keokuk; Josie, Peoria; Beaver, Illinois river. River falling. Cloudy and warm with indications of rain.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 28.—Arrived—H. S. Turner, Cincinnati. No departures. Cloudy; thermometer 81.

Vicksburg.

VICKSBURG, July 28.—Down—Yazoo, Bismarck and Bee and barges. Up—Longworth. Clear and warm. River falling.

Chicago Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, July 28.—Cattle—Receipts 4,616 head. Market quiet and buyers and sellers apart; a few lots of good to choice shipping steers sold at $5 45@5 90; common Texans and Indian $2 90@3 65; shipments 3,718 head. Hogs—Receipts 11,673 head. Market moderately active and prices unchanged; sales of lots of good to prime at $4 @4 15; choice and extra $4 80@4 90, closing quiet and rather weak; shipments 5,958 head. Sheep—Receipts 418 head. Market dull and unchanged.

THE BULL-WHACKERS.

Buffalo Bill and Texas Jack—Success of their "Dramatic Season."

[From the Omaha Bee.]

Yesterday William Cody, otherwise known as Buffalo Bill, and J. B. Omohundro, or Texas Jack, arrived in the city from the East, accompanied by E. B. Overton, of Brevoort Place, New York; E. P. Green, of Amsterdam, New York; and Scott, the hatter, of Chicago.

Buffalo Bill and Texas Jack, as is well known, have been treading the sensational stage for the last six months, and have in that short time made a comfortable fortune, which they intend to increase to mammoth proportions during the fall and winter seasons.

Buffalo Bill, Texas Jack and Ned Buntline each cleared $30,000 during the past eight months. Bill thinks this more remunerative than the honor of being a Nebraska Legislator, while Texas Jack is of the opinion that financially it eclipses buffalo hunting and scouting. Bill has invested some of his ing and scouting. Bill has invested some of his money in a place at Westchester, county seat, now Pittsburgh, where his family will live, and sport consumerance jewelry, especially Jack, whose immaculate shirt bosom is ornamented with a $1,200 diamond pin and diamond studs, and he wears a $1,000 chain and magnificent gold watch, while his little finger on the left hand is encircled by a valuable diamond ring. During Jack's trip in the East he was presented with a $650 breech-loading gun by the Earl of Dunraven. He a so has a splendid rifle, given to him by Remington, the great manufacturer. Buffalo Bill also had one given him by the same gentleman.

The whole party left on this morning's train for Fort McPherson, from which place, on the 29th, they intend to go on a grand buffalo hunt. The buffalo hunters are all well armed, and will be absent on the hunt two weeks.

Lack of Thought in Simple Acts of Life.

[Herbert Spencer in the Popular Science Monthly.]

We have not to look far to find examples. Let any one of us at every turn to see that the average intelligence incapable of guiding conduct even in simple matters where but a very moderate reach of reason would suffice. Not to dwell on the extreme cases of suicide through the natural sanctions of ethical principles. The unthinking inaptitude with which even the routine of life is carried on by the mass of men shows clearly that they have no power to think out for themselves self guidance in the absence of an authoritative code of conduct. Take a day's experience and observe the lack of thought indicated from hour to hour.

You rise in the morning and, while dressing, take a vial containing a tonic, of which a little has been prescribed for you; but after the first few drops have been counted, succeeding drops run down the side of the vial—all because the lip is shaped without regard to the requirements. Yet millions of such vials are annually made by glass makers, and sent out by thousands of druggists, so small being the number of these forced to bear on business. Then turning to the lookingglass, you find that, if not of the best make, it fails to preserve the attitude in which you put it; or, if what is called a "scrap" lookingglass, you see that the mainspring or the adjustment of the position by an expensive appliance that would have been superfluous had a little reason been employed. You just-ment such that the center of gravity of the class came in the line joining the points of suspension. Nothing of the kind has been attempted, and the glass would remain steady in whatever attitude you gave it. Yet year after year tens of thousands of looking glasses are made without regard to so simple a need. Breakfasting, you glower at your coffee and taking some Harvey or other sauce with your fish, find the bottle has a decoc like that which you found in the last sauce you used. Were the cork trickle down, and occasionally stain the table cloth. Here are other illustrations of the unreasoned economical of thought that they do nothing to rectify this inconvenience.

Having finished, you take up the paper, and, before sitting down, wish to put some coals on the fire. But not turning your head, you plunge slap out of them, and if large, you make several blemishes before you succeed in lifting it—all because the ends of the tongs were made exceedingly thin instead of the irons go on, generation after generation, without any one having required to make them otherwise, and when it is expired he is out on the platform picking his teeth and talking about real estate. Then, for the twentieth time, you forget to post a letter, you begin to read; but before you have got through the first column ahead of you, you make the changes of position which your sensations prompt, that men still fail to make easy chairs. And yet the padding of chairs and sofas is the work of men. Advantage, secured by using a soft seat in place of a hard one, is not sufficient to induce the legislature to make a large area the pressure of the weight to be borne, and so making the pressure less intense at any one point—is an advantage to be sought in the form of the chair. Ease is to be gained by making the shapes and relative inclination of seat and back as will best reach the table. He and other inexperienced travelers there by the entrance has been made to the ship, if so much as a bench or table be provided for the comfort of passengers, nothing is done. Each voyager takes the best means of escape that occurs to him, and, stepping into the other room, mounted a table where we could get a good view of the desk, and was about to commence a letter, when the captain took at the title page, and after studying over it a moment or two, gave me to understand that I could proceed to make a careful copy of it. Just as he got well to work, a cry was heard on deck and carried off on account of a runaway. The agent for "Observations in Palestine," made a pass for it, and securing it triumphantly, put it in his place, and then immediately darted after a state item. Getting back again in a few minutes, he proceeded to work in severe glance at the window, and grasped his pencil to receive more inspiration from the fair page, when another breeze came along and made a great gravel sweep. Both of his arms came down together, but he did not succeed in catching a sniff. Again he weights on this and dashed after the rest, and as he was a fleshy gentleman, with a pair of pants that hung above the instep from a job, he's clothes took very suggestive of Palestine.

The sun on the little page went on, however, with brief intervals for recovering articles. At first he didn't say anything when the breeze bombarded him, but after awhile he grew more acquainted and commenced to converse. The first observation he made was, "Darn it, [laughter.] Then he said, "Look out there!"—and becoming still more sociable and confiding, related a touching tale of his history, called "Jupiter!" "Christopher!" and "O, Gabriel!" Pretty soon Gen. Shaler left the theatrical scene sailing into our room, and on he dashed after it. He made a grab for it as it went over the rail, but missed it, and it dropped down and rolled into the water, to never be coin reach it. It was that part of the title page in which the author confirmed every one of the Jerusalem, and if we are not mistaken, he mentioned the piano as he crawled under the table. Observed the lady who accompanied the party that carried it back to the table, and then dropped it as another gust came down the river. Then he said that he came after it, looking very red in the face, and apologized for the disturbance, and remarked that he got back in time to make another and hopeless lunge for the second page. It struck the floor before he could reach it, but he snapped on it with his heels, and turned them around on it, and grated his teeth till the court house bell struck 12 o'clock.

Then he picked it up, and brushed it off, and mopped his brow with his coat arm, and proceeded to sew his attack on Palestine, which was the wind came in, and another invoice of documents sailed upward, and Mr. Vice President left in disgust. Mr. Scribe, who keeps a charitable and private home for the unfortunate, has gone to Bonnybrook Station, whither she takes poor young girls who have been led astray, but are not wholly irreclaimable. Miss Stride does not hesitate, in pursuit of her good deeds, to visit these dens of the law, and to watch for delinquents whom she may save from further degradation. Other characters, more eccentric and less benevolent, frequent the Police Courts, from which, it is not unknown, Dickens procures original traits for some of his most telling portraits. The fascinations of the Court room prove too much for some who have been placed in the dock, and who, having served out their term, spend the rest of their idle days in watching the fortunes of their successors, and become an habitual phantom of the place. Some, as little Miss Flite, in "Bleak House," did of the Court of Chancery.

A Classical Sketch.

Says the London *Court Journal*: "An amusing bundle was lately committed to the wrath of England. Some of your readers will probably have seen the report of a supposed breach of promise case, brought by Miss Anglicana Church against Mr. William Merrypebble, M. P., wherein the following letter, among others, was put into Court and read: 'St. Stephen's, April 1, 1871.—Dear Anglicana: I am constantly thinking of you and always talking about you. I will never desert you, my own pet; never. Your image is ever present with me. Words fail me, never, never. I sent Miss Mia with a message this morning, and spoke to her. Don't be jealous; you alone are 'Myself'—[laughter.] I will always protect, love, honor, cherish, and obey you. Be perfect, love, honor, cherish, and obey you. Be perfect dearest, prudent for the present. I have no time to write more, as I am off to ——, to address my constituents. [Loud laughter.] Ever yours, Willie. A certain anonymous contributor to a respectable west country contemporary did not perceive that Miss Anglicana's church was no other than the Anglican church, that Mr. William Merrypebble was Mr. Gladstone, and that Miss Mia was the honorable member for Bradford and the well-known hater of all church establishments. He denou ced the absurd love letters, and considered that the heartless conduct of the faithless member should be exposed. He must thank the Manchester *Courier* for this boax."

Humors of the Telegraph.

[From Harper's Bazar.]

Not long since a countryman came into a telegraph office in Bangor, Me., with a message, and asked that it be sent immediately. The operator took the message, as usual, but his instrument in communication with its destination, ticked off the signals upon the keys, and then, according to the rule of the office, began to make inquiries of the man, but with other paper that had been previously sent, that at night they might all be filed for preservation. The man lounged around for some time, evidently unsatisfied. At last, approaching the counter of the operator, "his patience was exhausted, and he belched out, 'Ain't you going to send that dispatch?' The operator politely informed him that he had sent it. 'No, I ain't, replied the indignant man; 'there it is now on the hook."

So, for all, the exact use of language was concerned, the man was right. Still more ridicrous mistakes sometimes occur. Thus the German paper reports that the Maharajah, in the course of the late war, an aged mother came to the telegraph office and wished to have a few lines sent to her son, desired to have telegraphed to Rastadt. Her son might be in Rastadt by early Sunday. The operator could not convince her that the telegraph was not capable of such a performance. "How could so many soldiers have been sent to France by telegraph?" she asked, and finally departed grumbling at the very operated needs with equally amusing instances. One recently related the following incident: "A gentleman came to my office to send a message, and after writing it, waited, as people often do at small offices, to see it sent. I called Office, Office, Office, but no other office would come to the key and said, 'Busy—wait a minute.' So I waited and waited, but no wait, when the gentleman said, 'Have you sent it?' I said 'No; they say they are busy—to wait a minute;' whereupon the gentleman darted off, and I didn't see him again, and then added, brightening up, as if he had thought of it before, 'I'll be a little deaf in one ear!' I managed to keep a straight face till he left, but it was hard work."

Goliath Scheerer's Little Joke.

There is an anecdote of Goliath Scheerer, who, twelve years ago, was an active Philadelphia politician, and who is now residing in Dallas, which is here first given in print. Some thirty years ago Mr. Dallas was counsel in a case in Philadelphia, and Mr. Scheerer was called in as a witness. The following conversation was had by Mr. Dallas:

"Mr. Scheerer, were you in Harrisburg last June?"

"Last June, did you say, Mr. Dallas?"

"Yes, last June; don't repeat my question, but answer it."

After some moments of study the answer came: "No, Mr. Dallas, I was not in Harrisburg last June."

"Were you in Harrisburg at last July?"

He reflected again, and slowly said, "No, Mr. Dallas, I was not in Harrisburg at last July."

"Were you there in August, Mr. Scheerer?"

The witness again meditated and said, "No, Mr. Dallas, I was not in Harrisburg in August."

"Were you there in September?"

Here Mr. Scheerer reflected longer than before, and replied, "No, Mr. Dallas, I was not in Harrisburg in September."

Mr. Dallas became tired of this barren result, and, raising his voice, said:

"Mr. Scheerer, will you tell the Court when you were in Harrisburg?"

"Mr. Dallas," said Scheerer, "I never was in Harrisburg in my life."

The Court, audience and Goliath Scheerer enjoyed the joke, but Mr. Dallas did not heartily partake of the merriment created.

Kind Words.

A single word may dissolve an entire family for a whole day. One surly glance casts gloom over the household, while a smile, like a gleam of sunshine, may light up the darkest and weariest home. A rude unexpected flowers which spring up along our path, full of freshness, fragrance, and beauty, so the kind words and gentle acts, and sweet dispositions, make glad the homes where peace and blessing dwell. No matter how humble the abode, if it be garnished with grace and sweetness, with kindness and smiles, the heart will turn laughingly toward it from all the turmoils of the world, and home, if it be ever so homely, will be the dearest spot beneath the circuit of the sun.

ANECDOTE OF MACREADY.

How He Got Himself Up for Lear—A Very Probable Story.

The following anecdote of the great tragedian, Macready, came from a theater attache, and is probably as reliable as the most of them: Macready used every agency "that God and nature put in his power" to make his acting tell, he accepted no aid of light and shade; no study of position; no minute attention to detail; indeed, no artifice whatever that would heighten effect. The storm scene in Lear was one of his most powerful representations. An old man, tottering and exhausted, raving at the elements, and defying thunder, lightning and hail, is a touching spectacle. To get himself up in style for this scene, he employed a strong and muscular friend to spend a few moments in shaking him vigorously, first right and then left, then forward and back, as a dog shakes a rag. All his hair was very much way, and his general condition so mixed up that, when the muscular man gave him the final shove on the stage, he was the very picture of a reeling, worn-out, and used-up old man, and as he veited his rage on the stormy forces of nature, the impression was tremendous. One night this stout party was somewhat late, and, fearing that he would be behindhand in his part as "shaker," flushed in the face, by what he supposed was the right place, and, seeing an elderly-looking man, with long, white hair, peering round as though he expected somebody, he went for and shook him; shook him powerfully—shook him to make up for lost time; shook the "agitation out of him," and then flung him headlong on the stage. The pit saw it in a moment, and the house howled, as only a cold days could hoot. The victim, scared almost to death, slunk back to private life, and the stout party didn't get to go on a grand buffalo hunt. Macready Lear, indulging in a tall kind of rhetoric not found in Shakespeare, remarked on him that he had manipulated the wrong man.

Discovery of Oil in Newark, N. J.

[From the Newark *Advertiser*, July 25.]

Yesterday afternoon, while several men were engaged in digging the sewer in Seventh avenue, near High street, a spade was accidentally mixed with oil as it was struck about twelve feet under ground. The hole was dug underneath the stratum of earth containing the oil, and a steady stream oozed out of the rocks and rapidly filled the excavation. It was not over a barrel of oil had been collected, and still there was no stoppage of the flow. Justice Lambert visited the place, and after testing the oil found it to be of a good quality, though crude and very dark. Up to noon to-day about two barrels full of the fluid had been collected, and will probably be speedily increased. The public will be greatly disappointed at this childish giving up of what bade fair to be a most interesting race.

A CHALLENGE FROM SCHARFF.

Scharff appears to come out of the contest of words with spirit undaunted. We append his bold challenge, and hope that some sporsman worthy of the signer's purse will come forward without delay—if he means business.

To the sporting men and men in America a single scull race, three or five miles, for $1,000 a side, and will give or take expenses, or meet half way between home and home.

WILLIAM SCHARFF.

PITTSBURGH, July 28, 1873.

FOUND DEAD.

An Old Woman Dies Unattended—The Body Discovered by Her Son—The End of an Eccentric Li'e.

The latest horror comes from Allegheny in the form of a Coroner's inquest on the body of Mrs. Gertrude Schad, a German widow, SIXTY-two years of age, who was found dead in her bed at No. 218 Beaver avenue yesterday morning. She has for many years been known in her neighborhood as a harmless, though very eccentric woman. One of her whims was to live entirely by herself. The fruits and vegetables she required to make use of, refused either to live with any of them, or allow them to live with her. For seven years she has lived exclusively alone in two small rooms of the house owned by her, getting those articles from such tenants as were willing to brook the inconvenience of having so untidy and erratic a landlady.

It is said that the condition of Mrs. Schad's rooms was filthy and disgusting. In the one used for sleeping her bedstead, she had a considerable amount of money secreted, and refused to allow the common comforts of life, preferring dirt to cleanliness, both as to her person and her premises.

The last time Mrs. Schad was seen alive was at noon Friday, when she was engaged in feeding the chickens in the yard and let her chickens out of the coop, and returned at once to the house. About one o'clock yesterday afternoon the neighbors missed one of them asked one of her sons if he knew of her whereabouts, and was answered that he was at home he knew nothing of her. He then went to the house, got on a ladder to the second story and looking through saw the dead body of his mother stretched upon her bed and entirely nude.

The father of the deceased was informed of the discovery, and he proceeded to the house, broke open the door and made an investigation of the case. No marks of violence were found upon deceased, nor any thing to indicate that her death came by unnatural causes. Dr. John Kirker was called in, and, basing his opinion on the scientific principles of that school of medicine of which neighbors that deceased had been indulging freely in fruit and vegetables, pronounced her to be one of death from cholera morbus. The Coroner's jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the physician's opinion.

A DESPERATE WOMAN.

Colored Man Shot at by His Mistress.

Yesterday afternoon a colored woman made a deliberate attempt to kill her paramour by a pistol shot, and his life was only saved by the merest chance. The woman, whose name could not be learned, called at the barber shop on Third avenue, below the Central Hotel and requested a colored man named Cooper, employed there "to step out." He complied, and the woman drew a pistol from her dress and took the keeping of the child she carried in her arms, of which she said he was the father. She then followed the said dusky beau to where upon the woman presented a pistol and fired. The ball missed its mark, striking the fence, but it struck a brass worn by the man and he escaped unhurt. The woman then fled across the bridge to Penn avenue, but was captured by an officer. He and the woman were both taken to the Mayor's office, where he preferred a charge of disorderly conduct against his assailant. In default of bail she was committed to await a hearing on Monday next.

A Change in Railroad Tickets.

It will interest travelers on the Pennsylvania Railroad company to learn that on the 1st of August the company will issue a new style of mon hly tickets. Instead of the fifty-four single tickets heretofore issued for the month, one ticket, or card, will be furnished, good for the use of any fifty-four fares. At one end of this ticket the name of the holder and the stations between which he is entitled to ride will be written. In the back of the ticket are fifty-four numbers, one to fifty four. The numbers the conductor will punch out the at a time the they are all gone, and then the company will know that the holder has used his tickets.

The advantage of the new ticket is on the side of the railroad company, and is so intended. By its use the holder will be obliged to show his right to ride on the train, and the time he has a right to ride. The Allegheny people prosecuted the concern as a swindle, but the Court decided against them and the existing laws. From that time the community have quietly submitted to the order. At the depot, the females dress in bloomer costume, and are seldom seen outside of their home.

"Nearer, My God, to Thee."

Sarah Flower, the writer of this touching hymn, was worthy of the name, for Sarah signifies a princess, and she was of noble appearance in person and any flower in the garden. The gifted girl married Mr. Wm. B. Adams, an English civil engineer, of superior abilities. She was of frail constitution, and, amid much bodily suffering, she left the pen of authorship upon various poetical productions. At what time she caught the inspiration to compose that one gem of sacred hymn, which will long adorn the globe, we have never learned. Probably it was during the season of grief, when the sympathetic spirit emitted the odor of a child-like submission to a chastening father. It must have oozed from a heart, by the power of divine grace, which is the volume of sacred lyrics by Mr. Fox, in England, about the year 1841, that the hymn first appeared. But the fame it was to bring, for she died in 1849, aged forty-four. She was buried near Harrow, in Essex. Presently the hymn began to work its way into various collections of songs of worship. It was carried to the heart of the Unitarian Church, and caught the strain. In noonday gatherings for prayer it soon became a favorite. The first time it "struck up" the hymn the whole audience joined in.

CITY MATTERS.

PATRONS of the COMMERCIAL leaving the city for the summer months, can have the paper mailed regularly to them by leaving word at the counting room.

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Death of Mrs. Barr.

We regret to announce the death of Mrs. Charles B. Barr, which sad event took place at her late residence in Oakland. Deceased was a daughter of James McCleary, Esq., Shousetown, a most estimable woman, and leaves several children and many friends to mourn her early decease. Her husband has our sincere sympathy in his bereavement.

Boy Injured.

Yesterday afternoon a little boy was jumped the track at the Union Depot, and ran against the fence along the line of Liberty street. A team passing the street was scared in consequence, and ran away. A little girl saw a number of boys playing on the track and ran to the rescue. She was conveyed in his home on Penn alley, and upon examination was found to be suffering internally.

Allegheny Presbyterians.

Yesterday morning an error of fact was copied into one of our columns from the Allegheny *Mail* in regard to the number of Presbyterian church members in that city. For the further information of the *Mail*, and as a compensation for the slight it has seen fit to put upon so thriving a denomination of Christians as the Presbyterian, we herewith give the latest statistics of the same in Allegheny: First Church, 1,200; Second Church, 253; North Church, 180; Central Church, 331; Providence Mission Church, 91; German Church, 40—making a total of 1,417 members of different Presbyterian Churches in Allegheny.

A Charge of Robbery.

A man named Brovaski was brought before Mayor Blackmore yesterday, at the instance of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company on a charge of having been concerned in the robbery of the ticket office at Beaty's Station. The office, it appears, was robbed in April last, and the numbers of the tickets being known a look ought was had by the company to the accused had-one of the stolen numbers, which was the cause of his arrest. The fact that he was in possession of the tickets, is a consequence of the nucleus of the ticket office. Try it, the druggists all keep the article.

A HEARING was had yesterday before Deputy Mayor Barker in the case of Gustav Smith, charged on oath of Henry Wuffman with inveigling the latter into a house of ill-fame kept by the said Smith. The complainant charged with the goods. Joan Shuckey, another defendant, in the same case, has not yet been arrested.

MR. WILLIAM H. DUFF, of Duff's College, at the instance of the officers of the Pittsburgh Clearing Houses Association, has engrossed the resolutions recently passed by them, on the death of Messrs. A. Fetmus, and which we have already published. The "get up" is as good as copper plate and reflects credit upon Mr. Duff's ability as a penman. They are to be presented to the family of the deceased.

THE Pittsburgh correspondence of the New York *Times* recently wrote to that journal a letter in which one of our leading iron manufactories was described, introduced by various statistics gleaned mainly from the files of the COMMERCIAL. One of our morning contemporaries copied this part of the letter, and thought it so good that it was reproduced as editorial. And now comes the New York *Times*, of Sunday, with a portion of this easily furnished editorial, headed "The Pittsburgh Iron Trade," duly credited to the morning contemporary aforesaid. The very sad.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Regular Meeting—Resignation of a Member—Street Improvements—The Mayor's Office Investigation—The First Ward Election Contest Abandoned—The Thirty third Street Matter—Information to be Obtained—Fifth Avenue Grade Again.

A regular meeting of the City Councils was held yesterday afternoon, at which some important matters were acted upon. Following is a report of the proceedings:

SELECT COUNCIL.

After the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, petitions, remonstrances, &c., were called for under the rules.

A RESIGNATION.

The clerk read the resignation of C. J. Schultz, Esq., from the Twenty-sixth ward.

Mr. Scully stated the cause of the resignation. Mr. Schultz was the lowest bidder, by $12,000, for the construction of a bridge over Four mile run, and it was held over on account of objections made to his being a Councilman. The resignation was accepted.

Mr. Hunter presented a resolution authorizing the Street Commissioner to remove the turn table of the Ormsby Passenger Railway, on Fourth avenue below market street.

Discussion being disallowed, Mr. McCandless moved that the rules be suspended to allow a vote. Not carried.

THE CLOTHING INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Jeremy offered a resolution giving the Police Committee or a sub-committee thereof power to examine and investigate the official accounts of the Mayor's office, and to employ counsel to assist and instructing the Mayor to issue subpœnas for witnesses as may be needed. The resolutions were adopted under suspension of the rules.

Mr. Chalmers presented a petition asking the laying of a sewer on Grant street, which was accepted, and a resolution instructing the engineer to do the same was adopted.

Mr. Z. Th. petition for permission to erect an Ironclad near the Union Depot Hotel. Referred to Building Inspector.

Mr. McCandless, remonstrance against sewer on Wylie avenue between Erin and Everett streets. Received.

Also, an ordinance repealing the ordinance providing for the same.

Mr. Jeremy objected, believing that the ordinance should be referred to the Street Committee.

A motion of Mr. McCandless to suspension of the rules was carried and the ordinance passed finally.

Also, resolution for public lamp corner of Wylie avenue and Erin street. Referred to the Gas Committee.

Mr. Watson, resolution authorizing the Water Commissioners to lay water main on Pearl street. Referred.

Mr. Smith, an ordinance authorizing the engineer to advertise for proposals for construction of sidewalks on a number of streets in the Sixteenth ward. Read three times and passed.

ADJOURNMENT TILL SEPTEMBER.

Mr. Kirk, a resolution providing that, Common Council concurring, when Councils adjourn they adjourn until the last Monday of August.

Mr. Phillips moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Further remarks were made by Messrs. Jones, Dunlap, Negley and Kirk, after which the question was taken on indefinite postponement, and resulted: Yeas, 21; nays, 19.

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